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JEWS READY TO CEASE FIRE

Dramatic Announcement ARAB ATTITUDE AS YET NOT REVEALED

Washington, May 23.—The provincial government of Israel today announced that its forces would cease fire on all fronts in Palestine Monday (tomorrow) night in compliance with the United Nations Security Council demand.

The United States Vice-Consul in Jerusalem, Mr. William Burdett, cabled the State Department that the order would be effected at 8 p.m. Palestine time Monday.

(This presumably refers to Tel-Aviv time, which would mean 4 p.m. GMT Monday or one hour before the Council's 36-hour deadline. Tel-Aviv went on Double Summer Time last night.)

If the Arabs cease fire earlier, the Jews will do likewise, according to the Israeli announcement, which added that if the Arabs defied the Council's Jews must resume action.

Record May Temperature Twice Passed In 48 Hours

The record maximum temperature for any day in May has twice been broken in Hongkong during the weekend.

The record which stood at 81.4 deg. F. was established in 1903. It was first surpassed on Saturday, when the Royal Observatory recorded a maximum temperature of 81.7.

This was again passed yesterday when 81.9 was registered.

A Royal Observatory official said this morning that he did not expect this maximum to be reached today. Indications were that it would become comparatively cooler although, while the southerly winds persisted, Hongkong must expect hot weather.

EDITORIAL

Palestine Dilemma

THAT the Palestine situation should bring about a new understanding and strained relations between Britain and the United States is a deplorable development. Their singular approach and unanimity of action on all matters of prime international importance is essential. A rift between these two great nations on any major issue can do incalculable harm to the general interests of world peace and more especially to the hemispherical recovery programmes to which both countries are committed. From this distance the disconcertment between the United States and Britain over dealing with the Palestine problem is not easy to comprehend. There appears to be faults on both sides. The British feeling apparently is that in the hurried recognition of the new State of Israel, President Truman has acted opportunistically with his eye on the useful political advantage he is likely to gain in short a vote-catching manoeuvre in connection with the forthcoming Presidential election. The argument, however, loses some of its potency in the light of the equally rapid recognition afforded Israel by countries who have nothing obvious to gain from any such move. The counter-charge against Britain is that she is wilfully encouraging a war between the Jews and Arabs by supporting Abdullah's claims with arms and by politically ignoring Israel in refusing to give official recognition to the provisional government. Actually none of these issues represents the chief point of conflict. It revolves around just what methods the United Nations should employ in bringing the

Palestine war to an end, and simultaneously enforce a formula of partition that will be satisfactory to both Jews and Arabs. This has been the fundamental problem from the day Britain assumed the Palestine mandate, and it remains so now that the responsibility of the mandate has passed into the hands of the United Nations. Significantly, while the Security Council succeeded in winning a majority vote both for the original partition plan and later for the modified United States trusteeship plan, the Council today refuses to give majority backing for the American proposal for a cease-fire demand which, if not obeyed, would be followed by sanctions and military intervention. The Council, at the moment, is sitting with the British proposition which calls for mediation. In principle mediation is always to be preferred to direct action, yet it must be conceded that prospects for successful mediation appear to be horribly thin. The UN Truce Commission frankly admits its failure and goes so far as to support the Russian demand for immediate military intervention by the United Nations. The appointment of Count Bernadotte as official mediator, frankly appears to be a final desperate effort to accomplish a virtually hopeless task. If Bernadotte does fail, the United Nations would seem to be left with only one course of action—enforcement of its decisions by armed intervention. Such action carries with it disturbing implications but short of UN repudiating any responsibility for settling the Palestine dilemma, no alternative suggests itself.

is not a member and therefore was not a participant in the announcement.

Mr. Burdett told the State Department the Jewish Agency representative handed him Israel's cease fire order at 4.45 p.m. GMT. He specified Jerusalem would be included. Mr. Burdett acted for the United States in place of Mr. Thomas Watson, who died in Jerusalem from a wound caused by a sniper's bullet.

PALESTINE SITUATION

As his message was received, the situation in Palestine was as follows:

1. The Arab Legation in Tel-Aviv said on the contrary that the Hagannah had repulsed a Legion attack on Ramat Rahel, inflicting heavy losses.

2. The Jewish Army statement in Tel-Aviv said on the contrary that the Hagannah had repulsed a Legion attack on Ramat Rahel, inflicting heavy losses.

3. The Arab Legation opened a heavy bombardment in the western part of Jerusalem.

4. The Jews said they had taken Ras en Naqra, Customs post on the Palestine-Lebanon border.

5. The United States Minister in Beirut, Lebanon, advised the U.S. State Department that 40 or 41 Americans seized on the Marine Corp were interned at the Syrian Army barracks at Baalbek, four miles east of Beirut.

6. The State Department was advised by Mr. Burdett that Mr. Watson would be buried at 10 a.m. Monday in the crypt of the Catholic Rosary Convent across the street from the Consulate.

7. Tel-Aviv reported that Menahem Beigin, Irgun Zvai Leumi commander, had announced that his men planned to track down and kill every Briton in the Arab Legion, including its leader, Glubb Pasha, unless the Legion stopped fighting.

ARABS' "NO"

London, May 23.—The Exchange Telegraph reported in a dispatch from Tel-Aviv today that Arab forces advancing in the Jewish quarter in the old city of Jerusalem refused to discuss the "cease fire" suggested by the United Nations Truce Commission and the Consuls of the Western countries.

The Exchange said that its dispatch was flown from Jerusalem to Tel-Aviv and cabled to London. It said that after attacking non-stop for 48 hours, the Arabs yesterday overwhelmed the Hagannah positions on the perimeter of the Jewish quarter and proceeded to advance.

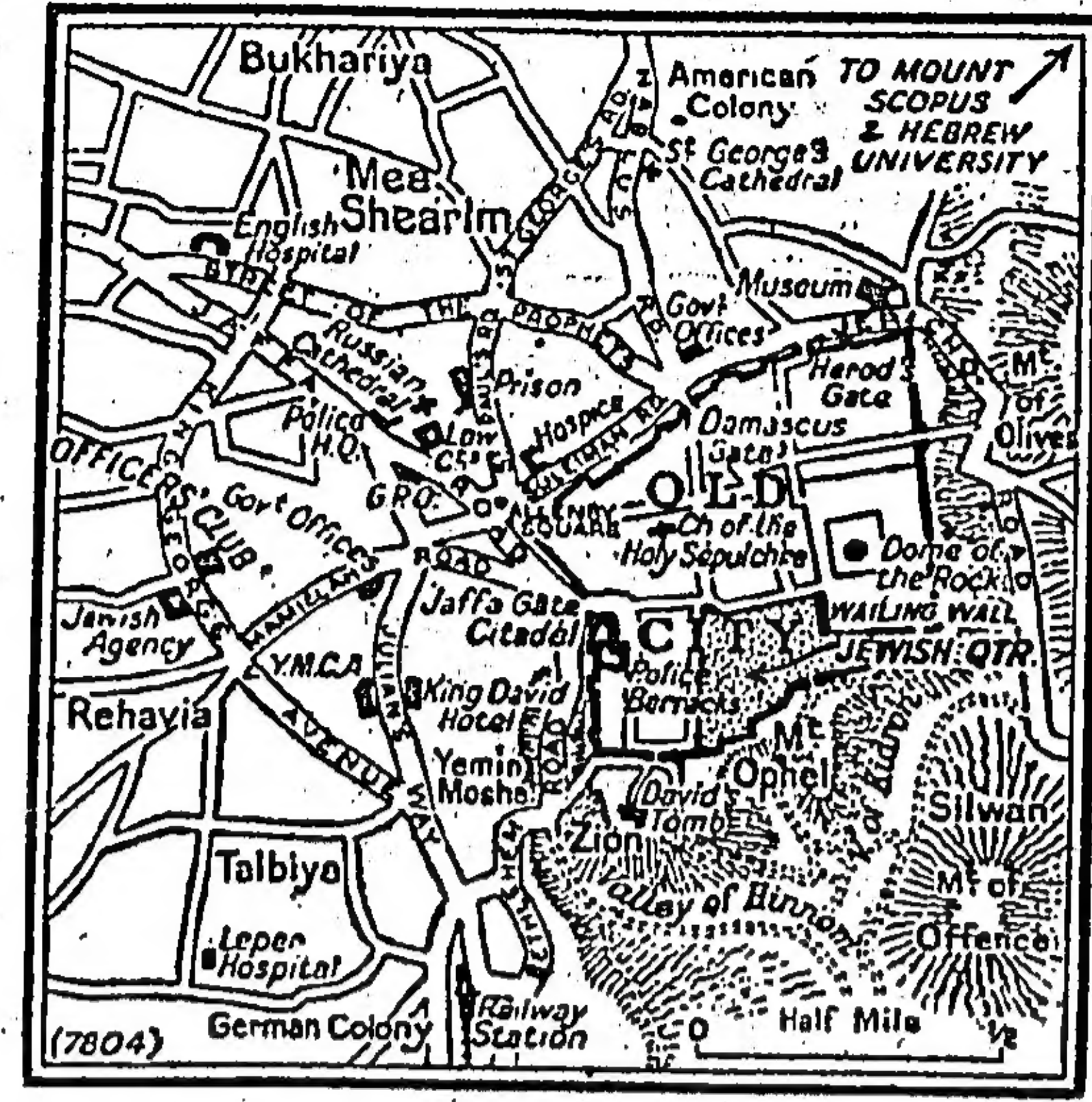
Although, refusing the United Nations and other efforts for a cease fire in the old city, the Arabs agreed that neither side should use mortars, the agency said.

Jewish forces said that they were unable to accede and insisted on a full cease fire, whereupon the Arabs brought up reinforcements, it said. Meanwhile, bitter street fighting is continuing outside the old walled city, according to the agency's correspondent. He said that the combined Hagannah and Irgun column is now within 50 yards of the old city citadel tower of David after overrunning the Eastern Jaffa road.

The Exchange said that Jewish sources described the situation of the beleaguered Jews in the tower as "precarious."—United Press.

FORCES LINK UP

Amman, May 23.—Azzam Pasha announced at a press conference that an Egyptian "flying column" had linked up today with Arab forces in the Jordan Valley. (Continued on Page 5)



This plan of Jerusalem shows the main points where fierce fighting is still going on between Arab legionnaires and the remnants of the Jewish forces. Latest indications are that the Jews are completely cut off in part of the Old City.

Lukewarm Reception For Early Japan Peace Treaty Proposal

Washington, May 23.—British and Chinese bids for an early Japanese peace conference made this week by top spokesmen for those two countries aroused no enthusiasm in United States official circles.

British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin's assertion that the United States, Britain and Russia should agree "to have a peace conference right away" with all "14 or 15 countries affected" in attendance failed to stir response here.

It was known that the United States at present sees no virtue in trying to hold a Japanese peace conference within the foreseeable future, believing that it would be merely providing another example of Soviet-American inability to reach agreement on basic issues.

SOVIET ATTITUDE

Firstly, the Americans have no reason to believe that the Russians have abandoned their insistence on the veto over conference decisions with a twenty-written-only by the Big Four or Big Five. The British on the other hand insist on a veto-free conference of all nations who fought Japan, with decisions reached by a two-thirds majority.

2. United States officials were understood to believe that even if it is possible to agree on the procedure for holding a conference it would break down due to inability to reach accord on fundamentals concerning the future role of Japan. The contention is that Russia and the United States will be able to reach no agreement on specific issues such as the Japanese treaty until they settle the broader problems of the "cold war."

In addition the United States feared some of its policies concerning Japan were viewed by Soviet nations as overly generous. The majority on the 11-nation Far Eastern Commission object to the American plans to rebuild the Japanese economy to a high level. There is divergence of opinion on other points too.

OPINION COOLS

For these reasons the United States was understood to have cooled considerably in the desire for an early peace conference.

Chiang Kai-shek's statement in the inaugural address as President that China is willing to adopt a "policy of magnanimity" toward Japan was interpreted in official circles here as being designed to allay fears that China would oppose the United States position on rebuilding the Japanese economy.

However, officials said they received no indication that China contemplated abandoning the insistence on the veto over conference decisions, although the Chinese expressed willingness to have nations other than the Big Five at the conference if they are willing to accept "consultative status."

The Americans thus saw little reason to believe that China is yet prepared to come closer to agreement with the British Commonwealth on the procedural question.

STALLING, CHARGE

Diplomatic sources here, meanwhile, charged that the United States is deliberately stalling a peace conference. They asserted that American officials are convinced that other nations would not

agree to the "magnitude of the United States plans for rebuilding the Japanese economy," and decided that it would be better to let the matter of the conference lapse for the present.

They claimed that the United States apparently wanted to handle Japan unilaterally and when she accomplished her designs she will then call for a conference at which she could present the Japanese situation as a fait accompli.—United Press.

Anti-Lynching Law Urged By Wallace

New York, May 23.—Henry A. Wallace called upon the U.S. Senate today to approve an anti-lynching bill and other civil rights legislation before recessing the present session of Congress.

The Third Party Presidential candidate said he believed no legislation "could be of greater importance to the protection of millions of negro attacks in a period of growing attacks on their democratic rights."

Last night Mr. Wallace challenged the top framers of the nation's bipartisan foreign policy to a series of debates on it.

He declared in a speech at Spokane, Washington, that the proposed debates should include the "very vital and difficult problem of Germany and Japan," as well as China and Korea. On Germany and Japan, he said, "We will give evidence that our present policies in both countries violate every objective we proclaimed during the war."

"Of Korea and China, he remarked, 'Our evidence will show that the US\$3,000,000,000 in aid we have given the Fascist dictatorship of Chiang Kai-shek since V-J Day is completely wasted,' and that 'we cannot lick the idea of Communism with guns.'—Associated Press.

Rehabilitating Silk Industry

Canton, May 24.—Measures are being taken here to rehabilitate the silk industry and to help Kwangtung merchants, according to local reports.

A plan covering both objectives is said to have been drafted by Dr. T. V. Soong, the Governor, and the China Silk Corporation. It is further reported that the Corporation's Kwangtung Office will soon be transferred to Shuntak, where a model silk-worm raising and mulberry plantation will be set up to train farmers.

It is understood that the Farmers Bank of China will participate in this work, and grant loans to the silk industry.—Reuter.

WOODMURDER TRIAL OPENS

Special Jury Called PROSECUTION DESCRIBES FATAL HIKE

A Special Jury was empanelled at the Criminal Sessions this morning when the trial opened before Mr. Justice Williams of three Chinese charged with the murder of Lytton Bevis Wood on a path leading from Lion Rock to Shatin on the afternoon of February 11.

The accused are Lau Hoi, alias Lau Yun-hoi, 20, unemployed, Ho Cheuk-kui, 26, unemployed, and Li Chung-chun, alias Li Chik-sang, 32, gardener employed at 377 the Peak.

Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr. P. J. Griffiths, is appearing for the defence, and pleaded not guilty to the indictment. None of the accused raised any objection to the jury empanelled. The prosecution was conducted by Mr. A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Sub-Inspector H. T. matches.

SIGNIFICANT DAY

Opening the case for the prosecution, Mr. Lonsdale asked the jury to remember the significance of the day on which the murder occurred, February 11, he said, was the second day of the Chinese New Year, and was a day which would stand out in the minds of the Chinese.

About 3 p.m. on February 11, Messrs Ross and Wood decided to get a taxi and to go for a walk in the New Territories, which they did. At the 5 1/2 mile stage they left the taxi and walked along a catchment path and up a hill towards Statue Rock. After about 42 minutes walking, they reached a spot where they stopped for a brief rest, and then saw four Chinese coming down the path from the direction of Kowloon Pass. Ross and Wood stepped to one side to allow the men to pass.

At that stage, both Ross and Wood were engaged by two of the men who proceeded to attack them. A revolver was produced by one of them and pointed at Ross, who heard a distinct click from the revolver, but fortunately nothing was discharged. Both Ross and Wood were overpowered by their assailants and while they were on the ground they were robbed.

The four Chinese then retired a short distance and were heard to consult together. One of them whom Ross had struck with a stick during the struggle returned to where he lay and beat him with a stick. Ross was then tied up by two men. His hands and legs were bound and a handkerchief was also tied tightly around his neck so that he breathed with difficulty, and he feigned unconsciousness.

He was then taken down the path and dumped among the

undergrowth while brush was piled on top of him for the object of concealment. Mr. Lonsdale submitted that on the evidence there was an attempt to murder Ross. It was his further submission that at the time Ross was dumped in the undergrowth Wood had not been removed because Ross heard scuffles and noises later, and from the light of after events, it must be concluded that Wood was removed from the path after Ross had been dumped. Prior to this, Wood had called out to Ross, and that showed that he was then still alive.

NO REPLY

Having been dumped in the undergrowth, Ross then heard the men departing in one's and two's down the path. He waited about 10 minutes and then called out softly to Wood, but got no reply. He released himself from his encumbrances and went to look for Wood. Eventually he found Wood lying with his face in a pool and with a piece of rock resting on the small of his back. He felt Wood's pulse, and concluded that it was not beating.

Ross then started off to walk over the Kowloon Pass down to the other side of Kowloon to make a report. On the way he met a Chinese who released him from the 'wires' which bound his wrists, and Ross continued on his way to report to the Police, who, when returned to the scene and started a search.

A piece of rock on which were blood-stains was discovered, and it was rather material, said Crown Counsel, because it was hidden on the pathway under another piece of rock. The only conclusion that could be adduced from that was that someone was out to hide it, and that the persons were those who had committed the robbery. It was his submission that there was a strong indication that the persons who carried out the final assault on Ross and Wood were persons who intended to leave no trace of what had happened on that hillside, but the successful feigning of death by Ross circumvented their plan.

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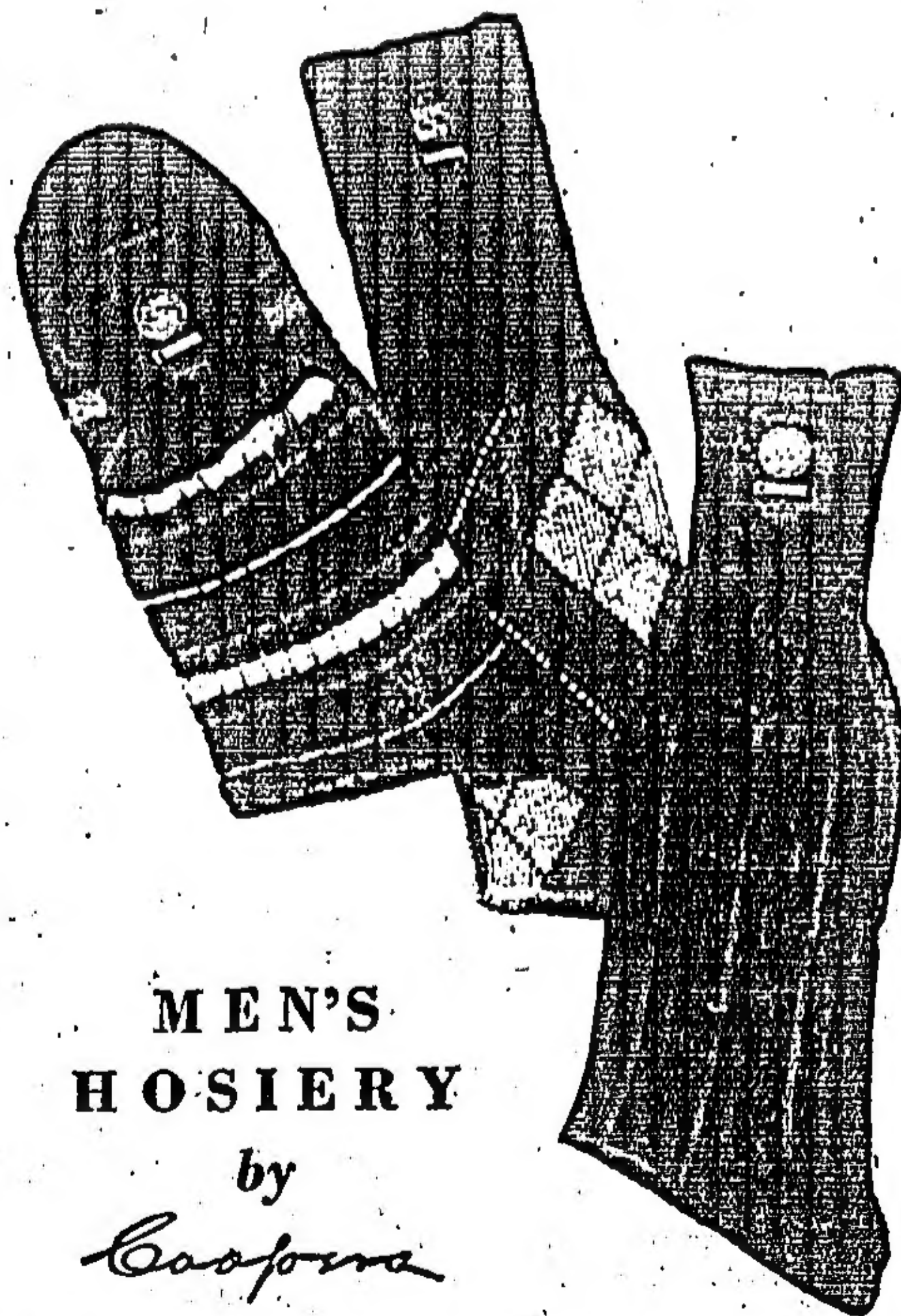
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HER HAT IS GLASS
AND HER SUIT, TOO,
SAYS 'LET IT
RAIN' by Anne
Edwards

TWO British discoveries illustrated here might have been invented specially for Iris, London model. They take the sting out of a sudden shower.

THE HAT: It is made of spun glass material, prepared from matted glass fibres. In other words, it is a glass hat which lets in the sun and keeps out the rain.

Models are in pastel shades—the one shown is in blue—with blue veiling—and cost from 17s. 6d. to 28s. 6d. Limited quantities are in the shops already.

THE SUIT: This is the latest addition to water-repellent fabrics already on sale, such as satin (for evening cloaks), cotton (for sun suits) gabardine and velvet (for winter coats).

The suit is in a new facecloth, and is being manufactured in half a dozen colours. It is ideal for spring and autumn suiting, and will be in the shops by the end of this summer.

The proofing takes place after manufacture, and tests showed that rain rolls off it in globules—like water off a duck's back.

ON THE WAY: Nearly ready for sale is a waterproofing spray which can be used at home to rainproof hats, shoes, and frocks.

At 107, Old Marinka Tires Of Life

By MILKO YANEFF

SOFIA, Bulgaria.—She remembers the Crimean War, old woman Marinka Valtcheva of the village of Sweet Well (Sladak Cladenetz) near Stara Zagora.

She was born in 1841. That is 107 years ago, but she can still tell you all the stories of the long-past century of Queen Victoria. She has lived through many wars, and she learned to hate war.

The years roll by. People are born and people die. Others come to take their places in the little life of Sweet Well. But not so, old woman Marinka Valtcheva.

She lives somewhere on the edge between life and death. Each tolling of the village church bell, the villagers make the sign of the cross, thinking that old Marinka has died.

"I can see, son, but so very little," she whispered to me. "I can hear, but so hard."

"Are you coming from the big village (Sofia)?"

REMEMBERS CRIMEA

"I have ceased to count the years, but they are over 100. When the Turks and the Russians fought in the Crimea, I was a girl in my prime. Men were wild after me. I got married a little before the Stara Zagora rebellion (1876). Then the Russians came. My husband went with them. When he came back, I had a child every two years. I had eight children. If he had not died, I might have had more."

Old woman Marinka slipped some wine and lay back, her eyes closed. She is very tired of life.

"How much I would like to die—now, when I am speaking to you," she said. "But the soul cannot be taken out by force."

Two of her three living daughters were there. One is 68, the other 72. As the mother dropped into a doze, one whispered, "It seems that mother wants to bury us before she dies."

There are many persons more than 100 years old in Bulgaria. Recently the authorities said there were more than 200, but exact figures are not available now.

PENSIONED BY STATE

Some experts say the centenarians live so long because they have regular food, regular sleep and neither smoke nor drink. Others think they live on and on because of the mountain air. The government doesn't ponder such questions—but it provides pensions for these old oaks in the younger forest.

Old woman Marinka sighed and awoke.

"I have lived long, very long," she said. "But I have lived through so many wars..... wars, all the time."

And she closed her eyes—United Press.

WHEN HOME IS NOT HOME

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.

I OFTEN wonder what it must mean to the youth who tries to be grateful to his or her mother's "boy friend" and to his or her father's "girl friend" while the parents are still married.

A teen-ager daughter says she is all mixed up over the matter, that she likes her father's "girl friend" (about her own age) but is not quite sure how she should act toward this girl when she is at their home with her "father" and the "wife" (and mother) is out with her "boy friend." The daughter also wanted to know if she should tell her mother everything she knows about her daddy's "affairs" and her daddy everything she knows about her mother's "affairs."

Pathetic Child

I advised her she had better not discuss the scandalous ways of either parent with the other, but could not, give this pathetic child much positive advice with assurance, except to suggest that she might through her persuasive love for both parents, win them to try to be faithful, letting them know what a difficult time she herself was having over the matter.

In this type of case, where both parents were having affairs and out in the open, the confusion to the child must be immeasurable, though not always more serious, perhaps, than when only one parent is the transgressor. What are the chances for such a youth to work out a wholesome love life of her own or to build a secure family life of her own? And what of the children's children?

Teen-Ager

We have been considering a child in her teens. What of the child 12, 9, 6? To any of them there is the confusion over the matter of deceit he sees in action. Besides, he innocently becomes a party to it. Oh, how he must be mixed up. How uncertain and insecure he must feel. Yet what he really needs for his best mental health and happiness and for his best mental, social and moral development is a constant feeling of "all is well."

ODD FACTS

A New York man has developed a breed of chickens that lay coloured eggs—green, pink and blue.

In Atlanta, Georgia, a 38-year-old woman recently had her twenty-second child.

Skilled Norwegian whaling harpooners average US\$25,000 apiece for a six-month season.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Mr. Punch Writes Some Poetry

—But the Shadows Have to Give It a Title—

By MAX TRELL

"COME in, come right in, my dears!" Mr. Punch said cheerfully as he looked up from his desk at Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children, who were standing in the doorway of the playroom.

When they came in and stood by his desk, Mr. Punch said, "I've just decided to write some poems."

"Poems?" said Hanid.

"Poems about what?" asked Knarf.

"Well," said Mr. Punch, "they're really riddle-poems. This morning as I stood by the window, looking out into the garden, I was delighted to see that all the birds had come back from their winter holidays down South. Some of them were chirping, some of them were singing, some of them were sitting from tree to tree. They all seemed so delightfully happy to be back in the garden, that it filled me with joy just to see them. So I sat right down and started to write poems about them."

Would Be Fun

"But what makes the poems riddles?" Hanid asked Mr. Punch.

Mr. Punch smiled. "Just this. Each of the poems (I've written three of them) is to have the name of the bird it's written about in the title. But I haven't put the titles on yet. So it will be a riddle if I read you each of the poems, and let you tell me the name of what bird ought to be in the title."

Knarf and Hanid thought this would be fun, so Mr. Punch read the first of the poems:

"Little singer in your nest,
Tell me where you got your vest?
Who could colour it so red?
I stained it with a rose," he said.

Hanid promptly guessed the name of the bird that belonged in the title of that poem.

"It's The Robin," she exclaimed.

Mr. Punch nodded and smiled.

Then he read the second poem:

Try Out a New Lipstick



By HELEN FOLLETT

IT'S NICE to have several lipsticks. You should not always use your favourite shade. Why not? Suppose you are out buying a new hat. You find a hat that you absolutely must have if your soul is to be at peace. It is one of those cute little things that come to a sassy point in front, the space is filled in with flowers—roses and lilies and fresh looking little green sprays. It has ties, lovely wide satin ribbons that form a huge bow about your chin. The colour is the colour of the roses—a luscious faint pink.

Your pet lipstick is a wine shade, tending toward a blue cast. How would it get along with those deep pink ties? It wouldn't. They would start a colour fight. So you rush out and get a lip smear to match your bonnet. And don't you think yourself smart? You are, and you look it.

In spring, a woman's fancy turns to clothes and good looks to match them. This season one can be daintily feminine or strikingly chic in tailored affairs. For summer fabrics of pale pink, mauve and delicate lavender one can use a peppermint candy pink lipstick, that won't make your skin look warm when the thermometer mounts. There is also a new golden-red that is like sunlight. It will be just the ticket when you start to collect light amber tan.

To give the complexion a soft, natural, summery look there are new powders, revivals of old fashioned tones known as "flesh." With these one can dispense with the commercial blush unless the skin unusually pale.

POSERS

ODD ANIMALS

HERE are some animals that hide behind funny names. Or some funny things that hide behind names of animals. In either case, if you know what they are you'll have no trouble fitting the right description. A score of five is good. The answers are below printed upside down.

1. The Swamp Fox outwitted (a) the British, (b) the tailor's goose, (c) the Hound of the Baskervilles.
2. Oxhearties sometimes grow (a) on stems, (b) on the wrong side of the body, (c) fast to the yoke.
3. A firelog can be depended upon to (a) squirt the hose, (b) save the women and children first, (c) sit in the ashes.
4. A snapdragon should be (a) chained to the whistle tree, (b) caught in a dragnet, (c) exposed to the sun's rays.
5. It is not uncommon for a rat tail to appear in (a) cheeseecake, (b) radio, (c) rattletrap.
6. The powder monkey was at home (a) on shipboard, (b) in the jungles, (c) at a nightclub.
7. The cowcatcher (a) rides the rails, (b) throws the bull, (c) rustles cattle.
8. Crazy Horse was (a) a partner of Sitting Bull, (b) pastured in the Elyian fields, (c) kicked by a white mule.

ANSWERS

1—a (the Swamp Fox was General Francis Marion, hero of the Revolutionary War).
2—a (the Oxhearties were the oxen that pulled the plow).
3—a (the powder monkey was a boy who carried the powder for the soldiers).
4—a (the snapdragon is a flower that grows in the shape of a dragon).
5—a (the rat tail is a part of the tail of a rat).
6—a (the powder monkey was a boy who carried the powder for the soldiers).
7—a (the cowcatcher is a device on a train that catches cows and other animals).
8—a (Crazy Horse was a partner of Sitting Bull).

Rupert helps Dr. Lion—45



Before leaving the sunlight factory the wise old goat tells Rupert to give back the dark glasses to William. "You won't need them for the small amount of boiled sunshine that we are taking," he says. Then they go right down the steps inside the mountain and out at the little door. Sticking the pole in the ground Rupert puts on the woolly coat and his companion fits on his skin. "I see now why this place is so warm," smiles the little bear.

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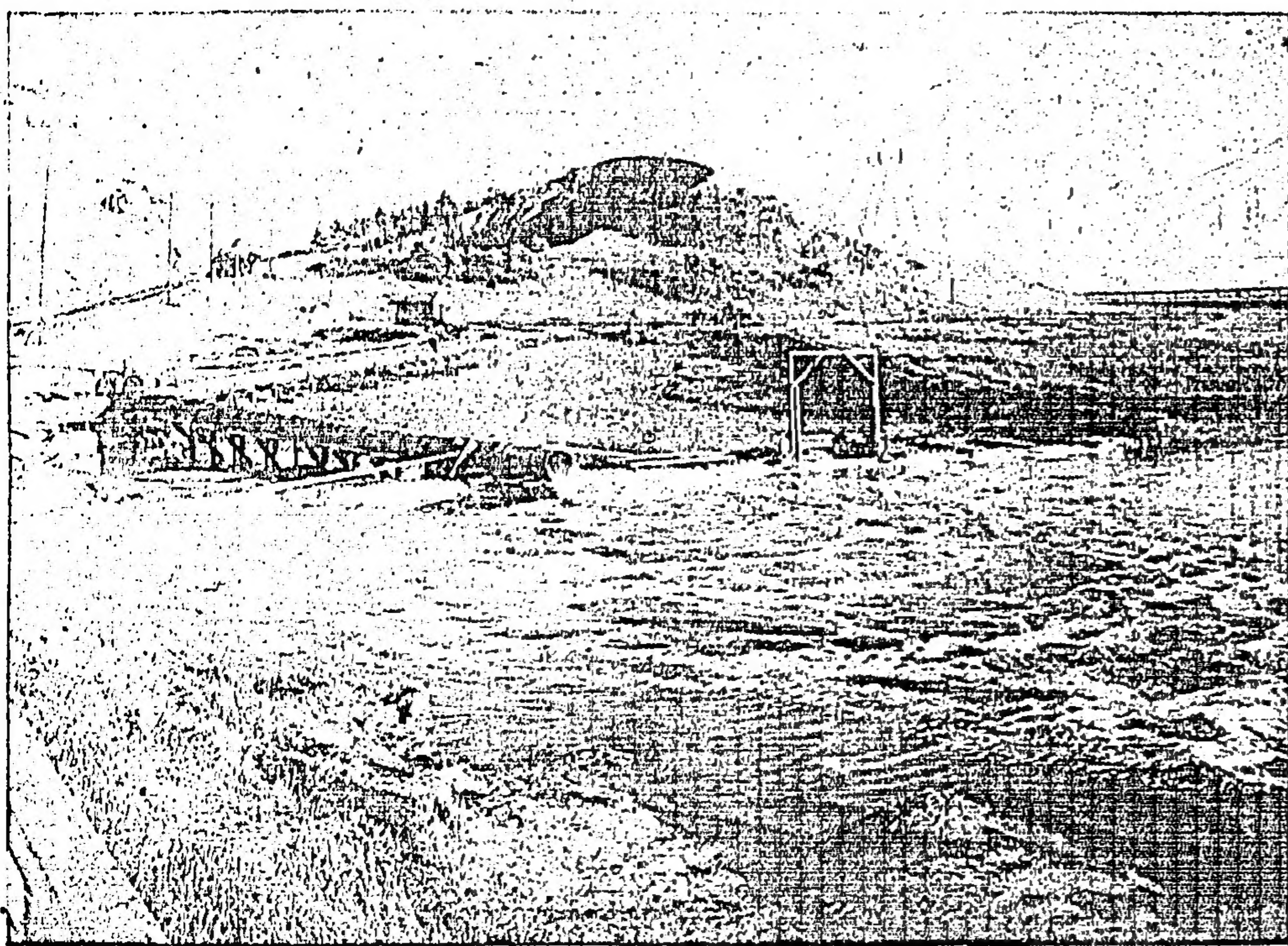
RED RYDER

Danger Ahead

BY FRED HARMAN



WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



TAKING SALT FROM SEA WATER—Through a system of dykes at the edge of San Francisco Bay near Newark, sea water is collected into ponds. Evaporation by sun and wind produces crude salt crystals which are washed and prepared for the market. Over a half million tons of salt are produced each year at Newark.



BACK TO NORMAL—With flags waving, shouting former Italian partisans start a march to the Piazza Loreto in Milan in defiance of a police order prohibiting outdoor meetings. They were celebrating the third anniversary of Northern Italy's liberation.



LADIES, PLEASE—Once Babe Ruth refereed a women's wrestling match, and the movie producers making a picture of the King of Swat's life included the episode in the film. Here actor Bill Bendix, playing the part of Babe Ruth, goes through the scene.



COMPLETE TRANS-ANDEAN WAY—Rail connections across the Andes mountains between Argentina and Chile have finally been completed. At ceremonies inaugurating the new service, Argentine Minister of Works Gen. Juan Pizarini embraces the mayor of Antofagasta, Chile, Juan de Dios Carbone, at Salta, Argentina, junction point of the 559-mile line.



BUILDS A BETTER MOUSETRAP—B. O. Burkitt of St. Louis, who has made a profession of trapping rodents, has invented what he calls a better mousetrap. The new gadget looks much like the conventional trap, but in place of food, the lure is water. Burkitt says rodents must have water above all else.



ARMS CACHE—New York police look over part of a huge cache of arms discovered in a five-storey loft in Manhattan. There were many machine-guns in the small arsenal, which, police believed, was destined for Palestine.



CAME OUT ALL RIGHT—Mimi Fitzgibbons, seven months' old, looks with interest at a safety pin held by her mother, Mrs. Laverne Fitzgibbons of Chicago. Doctors removed the pin from the child's oesophagus. The baby had swallowed the pin point down.

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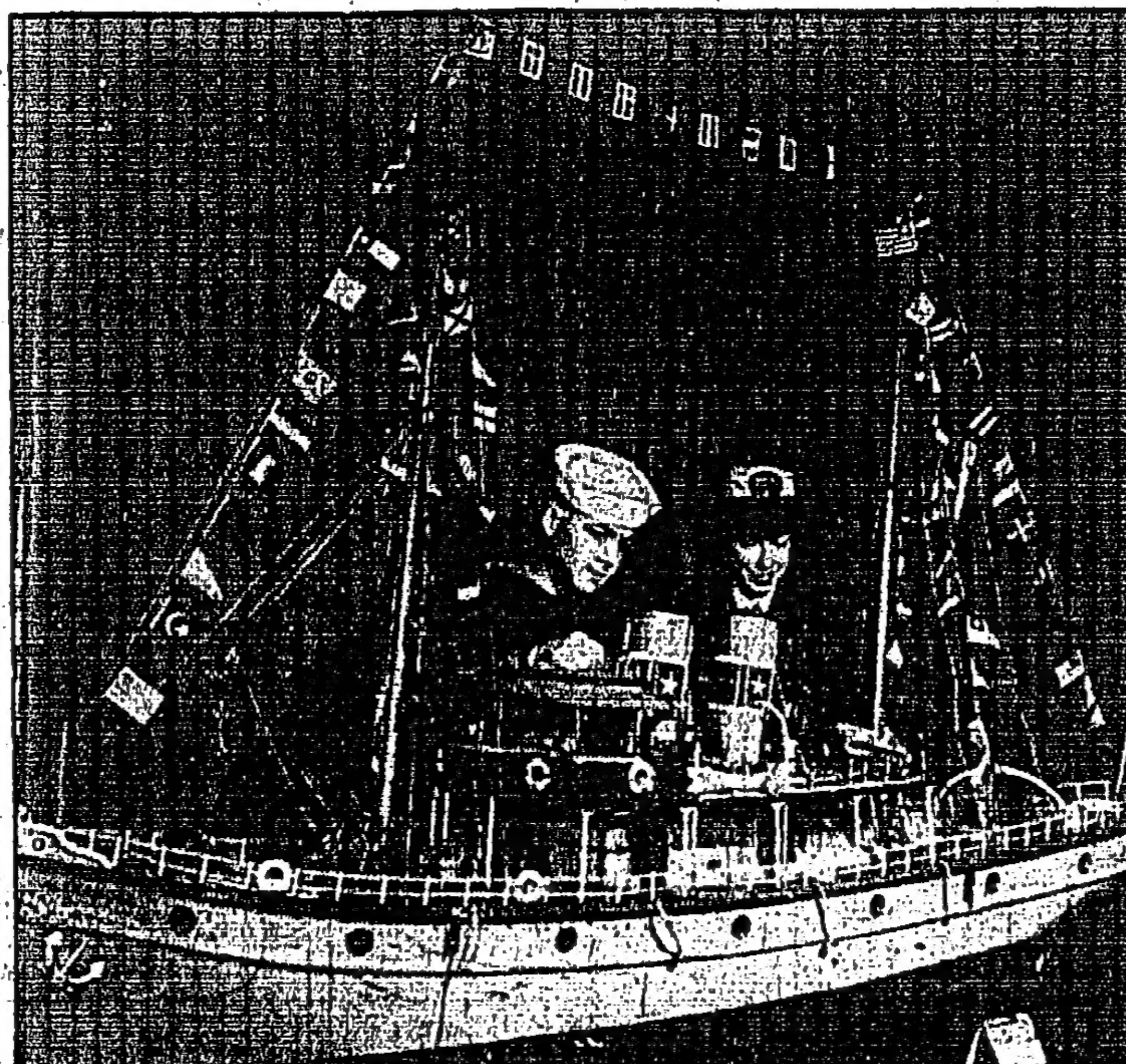
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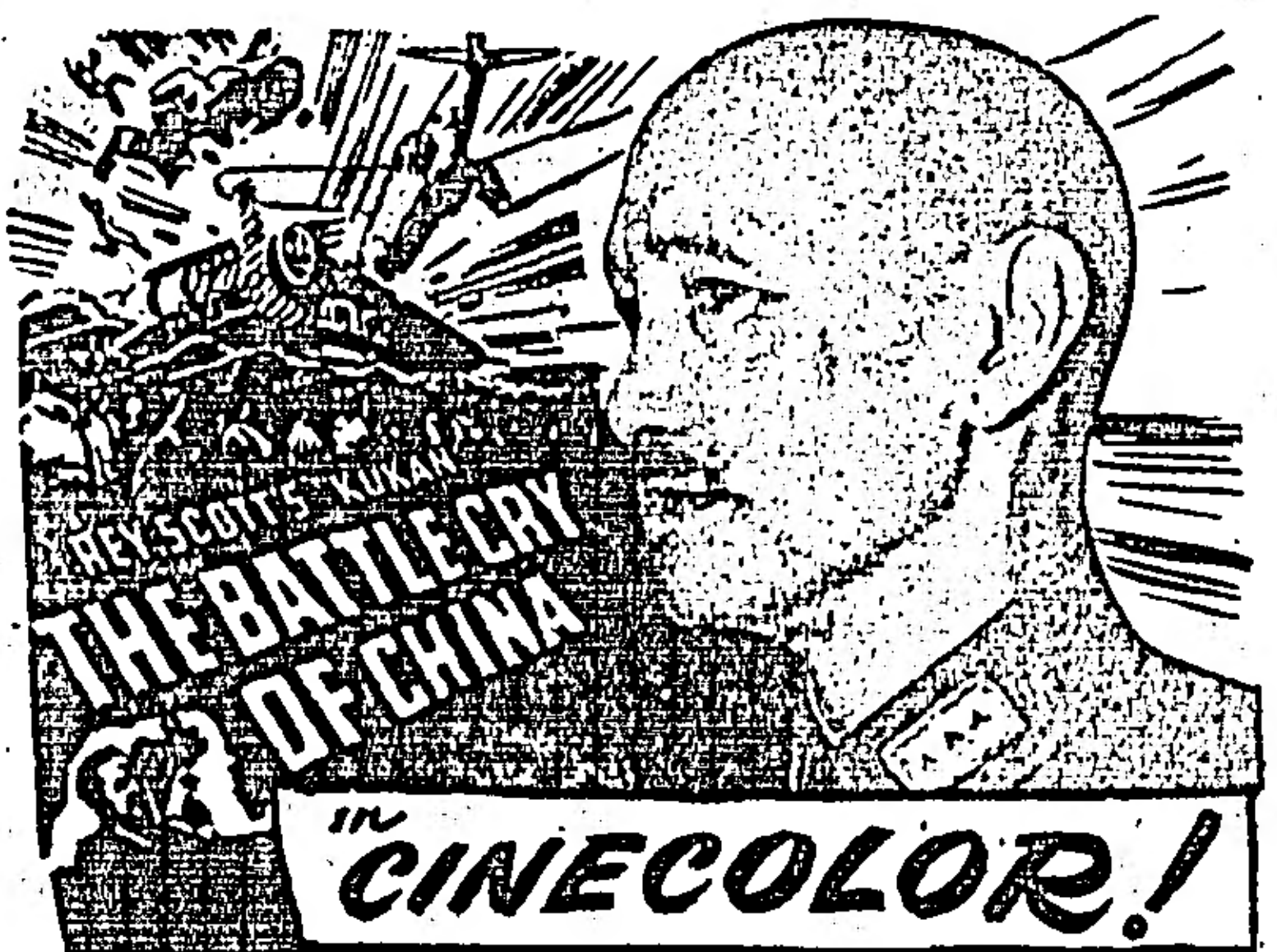
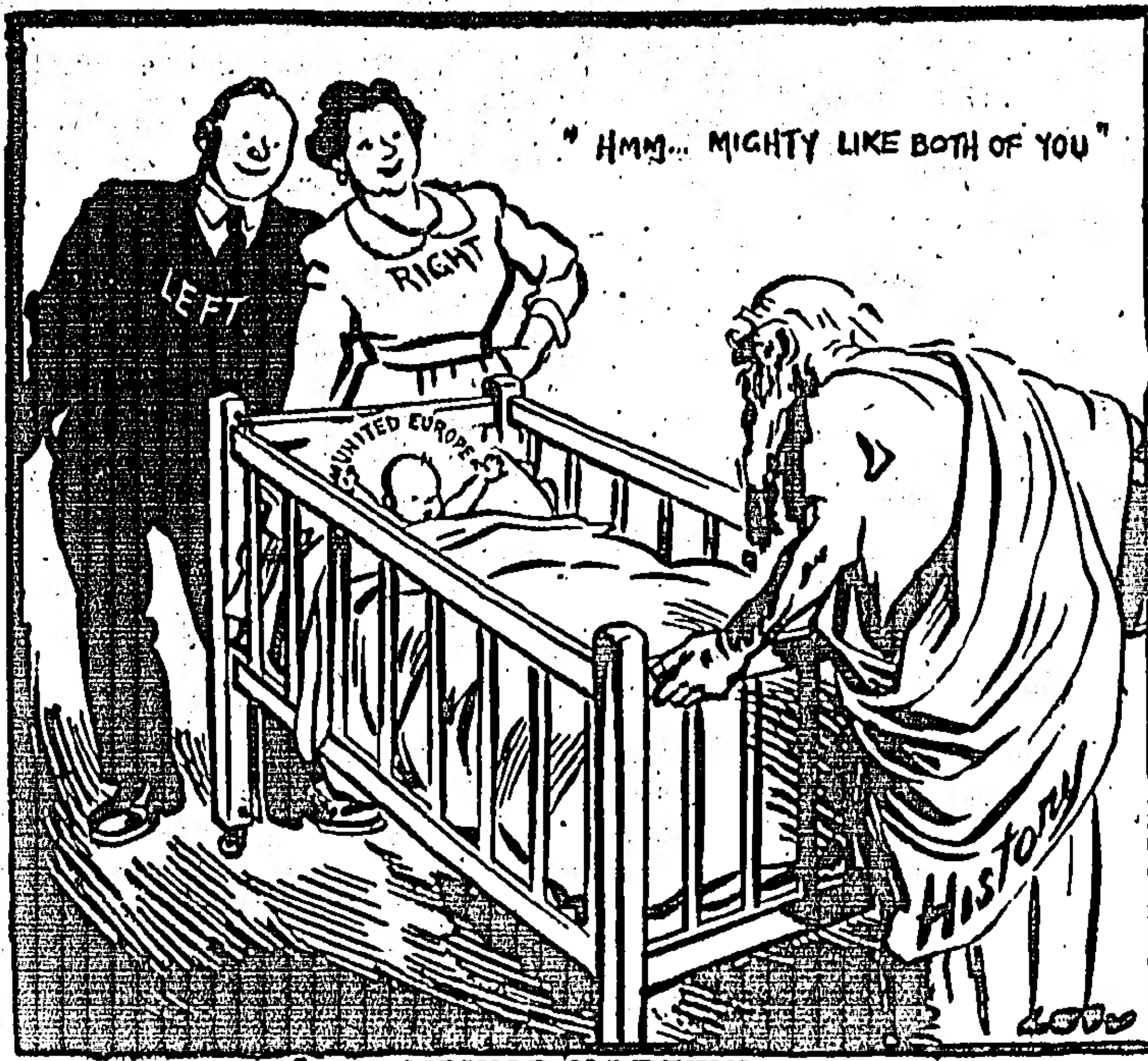
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Clown maybe, but he put it over us!

EVEN the Czech Com-
munists used to apologise
for the shortcomings of
Vaclav Kopecky. They said he
was the stupidest Communist in
the Cabinet; that as Minister of
Information he was a buffoon
and constantly dropping bricks.

They agreed with us news-
paper reporters that he was one
of Europe's most painfully
jocular and most tritely loqua-
cious bores.

"Never mind him," they used
to say, "he won't last. He will
be dropped at the next re-
shuffle."

But Kopecky stayed.

And now comes the news that
Kopecky has made good. He
has won a major propaganda
victory.

When Mr Attlee ordered the
anti-Communist purge in the
British Civil Service, Kopecky
decried that the British purge
was to be given the fullest
publicity in all Czech and Slovak
newspapers.

His intention was that the
reports from London should
silence Czech critics of their
own purge.

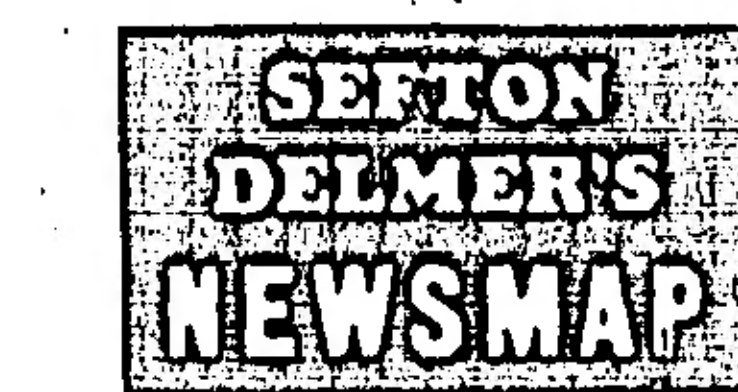
A Slovak deputy, who a few
days ago crawled across the
Czech frontier to freedom and
has now arrived in London, tells
me that Kopecky has been bril-
liantly successful with his cam-
paign.

"You see," say the Prague
Communists, "every democracy
has its political purges. Who
purges whom just depends on
who is in power and who is not."
The non-Communists have no
answer.

I regard Kopecky's victory as
a defeat for the European Ser-
vice of the B.C.C. They should
have provided the Czechs with
an answer. But they have not,
and as far as I can gather they
have not even bothered to.

I telephoned their Czech sec-
tion to find out what they have
done in this matter and what
they are doing.

"We are putting out what
news there is about the purge in



Britain," they told me. No,
they were doing nothing extra
to meet the special circum-
stances in Czechoslovakia.

Now in my opinion this atti-
tude is characteristic of the
unimaginative and unenterpris-
ing attitude of the B.C.C.

Instead of leaving the field to
Kopecky, they should be put-
ting out special commentaries
to Czechoslovakia comparing in
full detail what is happening in
Czechoslovakia and what is
happening in Britain. They
should point out that Attlee's
action, such as it is, has
aroused protest and bitter
opposition in Britain, and that
the fight against it is still
going on.

It is high time that the
B.C.C. gave up its present extra
going and apologetically de-
fensive "Projection of Britain"
for a more aggressive policy.

After all, we are caught up in
a political war between the
Communist East and the de-
mocratic West. Full and ac-
curate news and factual in-
formation are among our main
weapons.

The B.C.C. should bombard
the Cominform countries with
news. They should do every-
thing to prevent the Communist
propaganda machine from con-
solidating its hold on the newly
subjugated countries of Eastern
Europe.

And, believe me, if the Com-
munists can be made to feel
doubtful of how far they can
control public opinion and the pub-
lic in their Eastern jumping-
off bases they will feel much
less inclined to do any jumping
off.

I would make two recommen-
dations. THAT—

1. The present schedule of the
European Service be revised so that
the major output does not go as at
present to the Western countries,
but to the new-starved East.

2. The Foreign Office, which
now has the responsibility for
the service, should be given full
control. The European Service
should be separated from the BBC
and become a department of the Foreign
Office.

With the full information sources
of the Foreign Office behind it, and
the men who make the policy in
charge of the microphone instead of
merely "advising," the Voice
of Britain could speak with much
greater authority and confidence
than it speaks today.

Let him go

GOOD news from Athens. Mr
George Melas, the Greek
Minister of Justice, is stopping any
further executions until he himself
has been through the files of all the
2,761 persons being held for execu-
tion.

I would recommend to the at-
tention of Mr Melas a man whom I
found in the jail at Larnaca.

The charge against Soterios
Beggins—confirmed this with the
prison authorities—was that in De-
cember 1942, while serving as a
parliament under a British officer, he
ambushed an Italian military car at
the bridge of Achinos, killed the
Italians in it and seven Greeks. He
is now accused of murder.

This seems to me quite mon-
strous.

If Beggins—he has been held in
jail for the past two years—is a
dangerous Communist, then intern
him until the civil war is over.

But do not hold him for murder.
In 1942 he was a soldier fighting
for his country.

Aid for Franco

THE coast is clear for American
aid to Franco Spain. Private
aid from bankers and financiers,
mind you—not from the U.S. Treas-
ury.

Spain and the Allies have signed
an agreement in Madrid on the
liquidation of German assets in
Spain.

As a result—
1. All Spanish assets in the
United States will be unfrozen by
Washington.

2. The State Department's veto
on private loans to Spain will be
raised.

American financiers are planning
to lend Spain about 50 million
dollars for a start.

And soon the agitation for Spain
to come in on the Marshall plan
will be renewed.

Fisticuffs

FIELD-MARSHAL LORD MONT-
GOMERY on boxing: "There
is nothing bellicose about it.... It
is fully in keeping with the prin-
ciples of the United Nations Or-
ganisation."

JOHN DEANE POTTER visits Britain's strangest jail

'Prisoners back villagers in 'No Hanging' protest

FALFIELD, Gloucestershire.
IN the little villages of Crom-
hall, Falfield, and Tortworth
the proposed experiment to
save murderers from the
gallows is causing alarm.

Already on their doorsteps
the villagers have one experi-
ment in crime and punishment
—the prison-without-bars in the
grounds of Tortworth Hall. And
there, behind crumbling brick
walls and a single iron-barred
front gate, are 300 criminals,
repreved murderers among
them.

In two years the villagers
have come to accept the place
and have forgotten their early
panic. But if the death sen-
tence is suspended they fear
that the Hall may become the
home of a more vicious type of
prisoner.

So the local council at Thorn-
bury has passed a resolution
protesting to the Home Office
about the no-more-hanging deci-
sion in the Commons.

Ede's pride

COUNCILLOR FREDERICK
ELLIS, who lives at Crom-
hall, nearest village to the
prison, says: "None of the
villagers worries very much, as
we realise that the prisoners
are carefully selected. The
only thing that does agitate us
is what will happen if we start
getting men who in the or-
dinary way would have been
hanged."

The voice from the Gloucester-
shire hills will be considered
carefully by Mr Chuter Ede, for
he is proud of the Tortworth
Hall experiment.

He was there only a short
while ago for discussions with
the governor, Mr J. E. Hender-
son, the son of a blacksmith,
formerly a prison warden and
deputy governor of Wakefield
Prison. They agreed that the
experiment had proved so suc-
cessful that the Home Secretary
is to try to buy Tortworth Hall
for use as a permanent jail.

Killer free

ONE of its successful graduates
is a man who less than
three years ago was a Page One
killer. Today that man—he

was convicted of manslaughter
and sentenced to five years' pen-
al servitude—is out of jail
and working at a bench in a
North of England engineering
factory.

Among the present inmates is
Dr Alan Nunn May, sentenced to
ten years' imprisonment for
divulging atom secrets to a foreign
Power. May is a "monitor" and
wears a blue blazer with a red arm
band instead of the usual Tortworth
grey suit.

Every week or so there are
escapes from the prison, but only
one man has succeeded in getting
away for good. He is Richard
Timmins, the I.R.A. terrorist, who
escaped to Eire and although re-
captured by the Civil Guard was
not returned to England.

When men escape they forfeit the
right to go back to Tortworth. The
other prisoners resent escapes,
feeling that they are "letting the
side down."

'Harmless'

ALTHOUGH among the prisoners
there are more than 20 mur-
derers, most of the prisoners are
embezzling solicitors, accountants,
bigamists.

A prison official said: "The sort
of men we have here, although
some of them are branded as mur-
derers, are very often people who
have murdered their wives in a fit
of jealousy over infidelity. None of
them would frighten a white mouse
—they are too carefully selected.
Not one has harmed a villager."

Life by day differs little from
that of any other jail. After an
ordinary prison breakfast the men
file off to the shoe-repairing and
tailoring shops, or start tree-felling.
At four they return to their huts—
each house 30 men with a private
room for the "monitor"—and eat a
meal at which talking is allowed.

Then life in the prison changes.
Instead of being locked up for the
night, the prisoners tend their
vegetable and flower patches until
six o'clock lectures begin.

Training for agriculture and en-
gineering are subjects the authorities
specially encourage. A town clerk
who was jailed for seven years is
one of the best agriculture experts
the jail has produced. He will be
helped to get a job as an agricultural
executive when he is released.

The prisoners also have discussion
groups. Lately they have been de-
bating the abolition of capital
punishment. And they are solidly
behind the villagers of Cromhall,
Falfield, and Tortworth.

The men think that the Home
Secretary already has the powers
he needs. They say: "No man gets
topped in this country unless he
deserves it. So why change the
law?"

CHALK UP A NEW SUPERMAN

by CHAPMAN PINCHER

YOU have probably never
heard of Mr A. P. Rowe.
Yet Rowe is the man tipped to
succeed to one of Britain's most
responsible jobs—leadership of
the team of top-rank scientists
which briefs the Cabinet on
atomic age defence.

Leading that team now is Sir
Henry Tizard, who is nearly 63.
Since he may soon wish to retire
the Cabinet has wisely cast
around for a successor to match
Tizard in experience, tact, fore-
sight, and ability.

Rowe, a slightly built, 48-
year-old civil servant, is likely
to be the man. Just why, you
can judge for yourself by read-
ing his modestly titled book
"One Story of Radar" (Cam-
bridge University Press, 10s.
6.).

Throughout the war Rowe
headed the "School for Secrets"
—the book reveals his qualities:

Organising ability: He
managed to lead a team of
3,000 people—a mixed bag of
temperamental scientists,
routine-conscious civil servants,
and workmen, many of whom

thought they were wasting
their time out of uniform.

Persistence: From the first Rowe
insisted that without the fullest
application of science, victory for
the Allies was impossible. It was
largely his drive that brought about
the close liaison between the sci-
entists and the fighting man.

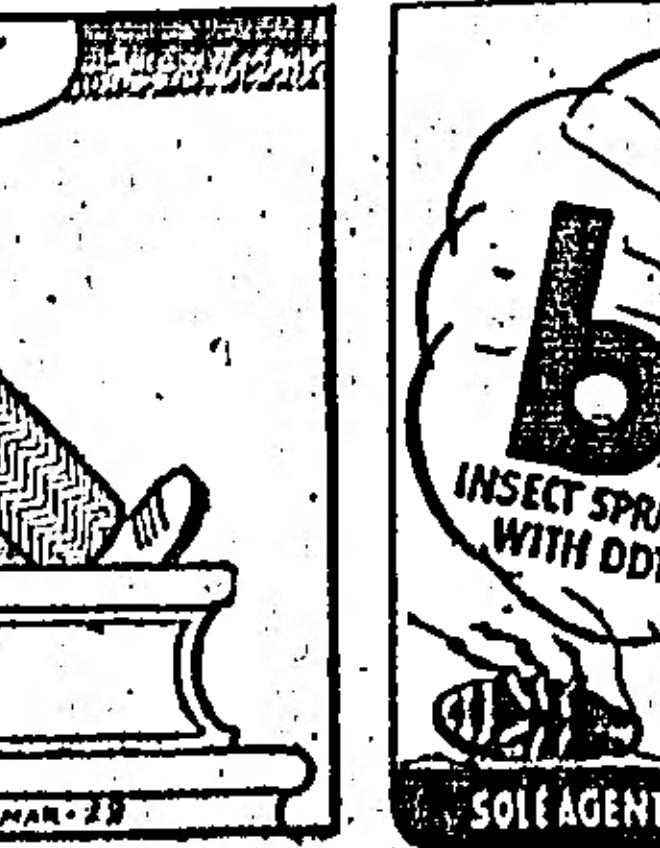
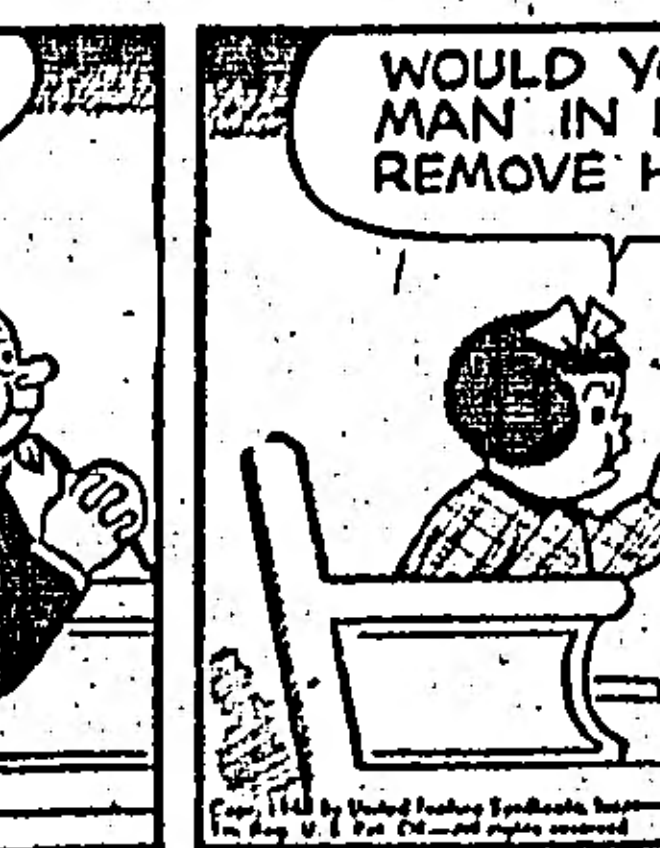
Salesmanship: Rowe produced
all the arguments which got the
money to translate hunches into
weapons.

Tact: This was vital in getting
compromise between scientists
anxious to get equipment perfect
before it went into production and
Service chiefs desperate to get their
hands on anything useful in battle.

Foresight: I would quote this
passage: "My chief worry was that
the radar station would be rendered
useless by deliberate interference
from hostile jamming stations. I
therefore gave one of the staff the
task of making his colleagues' lives
a misery by deliberately jamming
their equipment. When the danger
of jamming had been demonstrated
the ideas to combat them were not
long in coming."

Rowe backed his men so hard
that his health broke down. For
the last 18 months he has been in
Australia winning it back. Tizard
has been called King of the Boffins.
This book proves that Rowe—now
it again will make a worthy
Crown Prince.

NANCY Optical Illusion



Douglas Steamship Co.

Difficult Trading Year

Coastal Business Reported Poor

That business throughout the year 1947 on their coastal run had been exceedingly poor and that they had only been able to operate the ss Haiyang, and had been holding the Haitan in reserve against any possible improvement, was reported by Mr. S. T. Williamson, Chairman, at the Annual General Meeting of the Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd., this morning.

The Chairman added that adjustments of hire for the Haitan and Haiyang under Ministry T. 90A Charter Party had not yet been agreed. He attributed the large drop in earnings to the unsettled conditions throughout China, with a rapidly falling exchange, which had seriously restricted trade.

The Chairman said: The Accounts for the year under review do not show results which compare favourably with those for 1946.

Throughout the year 1947 business on our coastal run has been exceedingly poor and we have only been able to operate the Haiyang, and have been holding the Haitan in reserve against any possible improvement.

Unsettled conditions throughout China with a rapidly falling exchange, which has seriously restricted trade, can be said to be the main causes of the large drop in our earnings. A considerable proportion of our inward earnings is in CN dollars whereas the major portion of our expenses of operation is paid for in HK dollars and this naturally has had an adverse effect upon the year's working.

Steamers Working for 1947 has resulted in the very small profit of \$21,023.25, which has been added income derived from Dividends and Interest amounting to \$91,010.73; the balance of \$62,443.01 has been carried to the credit of Profit and Loss Appropriation Account.

REQUISITION PAYMENT
This Account has also been credited with \$224,117.48, which is included in the balance due to your Company in respect of the period that the Setaian and Haiyang were under requisition to the Hongkong Government. Rates of Hire have been based on those in force in the United Kingdom and have been considered and approved by the Hongkong Shipping Control Board, and have been accepted by local Owners generally as a means of arriving at a settlement and disposing of this outstanding. The adjusted rates, however, do not produce an amount comparable to that received by other local liner companies which were under requisition to the Ministry of War Transport in 1941.

Adjustments of hire for the Haitan and Haiyang under Ministry T. 90A Charter Party have not yet been agreed.

The profit available for Appropriation, which includes a balance of \$607,046.81 brought forward from 1946, amounts to \$94,507.32. Turning next to the Balance Sheet, it will be noted that the value of steamers, launch etc. is reduced by \$20,000. This is the result of the sale of the Company's steam launch, Haitung, which was stationed at Fochow, and scuttled twice during the period of hostilities and was as a result in such a poor condition that it was deemed more prudent to sell her rather than have the expense of a complete refit.

INVESTMENTS VALUE
I am glad to be able to state that your investments, which at the end of 1946 were valued at \$1,548,822.50, now stand at a figure of \$3,501,030.50. Some \$600,000 was invested during the year in first-class local securities. As you are aware market prices of investments generally showed considerable improvement throughout the year under review and this is reflected by a corresponding increase in the amount at credit of Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account which now stands at \$1,093,843.84 compared with \$328,253.07 last year.

Sundry Debtors amount to \$727,237.83 of which the major portion is in respect of the requisitioning of the Fleet, and is due both by the Ministry of War Transport and the Hongkong Government. In both instances, final agreement has yet to be reached.

Turning now to the other side of the Balance Sheet, Steamers' Repairs Reserve has been reduced by \$300,000. In December the "Haiyang" was docked and considerable repairs were carried out of which approximately one third represented repairs which were deferred back by the Ministry in 1946, and in respect of which a claim has been lodged with the Ministry. The cost of these repairs is estimated at the figure already mentioned.

Reserve for contingencies is reduced by the amount of the Assessment to Corporation Profits Tax which was raised against your Company in respect of the year 1947-48.

Sundry Creditors amount to \$483,410.97 and include an estimate of the Haiyang Docking; this amount will be liquidated as soon as it is finally agreed.

The only other item to which I have to make reference is the Douglas Wharf, the lease of which expires on December 31, 1949 or less than two years hence.

PAULA

BY DENNIS WHEATLEY

Who murdered Rita Vane and hid her painted body in the studio tank?



Wong Wen-Hao To Be Nominated China's Prime Minister

Nanking, May 24.—It was learned on the highest authority that Wong Wen-hao, will be nominated today by President Chiang Kai-shek as Prime Minister of China succeeding Chang Chun who resigned.

Wong Wen-hao, is one of China's best known administrators and currently chairman of the National Resources Commission. From 1945 to 1947, he was the deputy Prime Minister under T. V. Soong.

A source of unquestioned reliability told the United Press that President Chiang at 10 a.m. today is sending Wong's nomination to the Standing Committee of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee for approval, after which it will be sent to the Legislative Yuan.

Wong was chosen after Chang Chun and Gen Ho Ying-chin—Chinese member to the United Nations Joint Military Staff Committee—rejected Chiang's request to take over the Premiership.

It was expected that the Standing Committee would vote immediately after which the Legislative Yuan is expected to take action. It was not known if the Yuan would be able to act today.

WARTIME RECORD

Wong during the war was chairman of the National Resources Commission and headed the War Production Board established under the supervision of America's Donald Nelson. Wong directed the removal of Chinese industries from the coastal to interior areas at the beginning of the Sino-Japanese war. His tenure as deputy Premier as well as war time posts proved Wong to be one of the country's most able administrators. His selection as Premier, it was generally believed, will be acclaimed by Chinese officials as well as foreign diplomats.

The selection of Wong ended the paradoxical situation in China in which leading candidates for the Premiership shied at accepting. Usually candidates swarmed over one another in a race to get selected.

Chang Chun refused repeated pleas to resign and Generalissimo then turned to General Ho, who told the press last night that he would not accept as he felt he has been too long associated with the military and also has been absent from China for two years at Lake Success, where he is.

An official notification regarding the issue of New Pier Leases appeared on August 22 last year. The question of the terms of our new lease has been referred to Government.

I now formally propose that the appropriations as set out in the Report be approved, and that the Report and Statement of Accounts as presented be adopted.

SECONDER'S SPEECH

This was seconded by Capt. W. B. Paley who said: I have listened with considerable interest to the Chairman's remarks in amplification of the Company's operations during 1947. We all realise that the Coastal Trade has become more and more difficult, and I think that the fact that we have been able to show even a small profit on the year's working is creditable.

Shareholders will, I feel sure, be glad to know that a financial settlement with the Hongkong Government in respect of 1941 may be expected before long, and we hope that all other outstanding matters will be cleared up during the current year.

The Company's Investments reflect great credit on the Management, and it is satisfactory to see that we are not only able to maintain our post war rate of dividend, but even to increase it a little, and that the dividend is amply covered by the income derived from our investments.

The motion was carried unanimously. It was proposed by Mr. C. W. L. Way, seconded by Mr. D. L. Prophet, and carried, that Sir Robert Ho, Mr. H. O. C. Marsh and Mr. M. H. Turner be re-elected as Consulting Committee.

On the proposal of Mr. L. H. Warner, seconded by Mr. Hon Yan-lam and carried unanimously, Messrs Lowe, Eingham and Mitchell & Co., were re-appointed Auditors for the ensuing year at a fee of \$2,000 each.

Present at the Meeting were Mr. S. T. Williamson (Chairman), Sir Robert Ho Tung, Hon Y. O. C. Marsh, Mr. M. H. Turner (Consulting Committee), Mr. R. M. Murray (Secretary), Messrs C. W. L. Way, L. H. Warner, D. L. Prophet, A. Sommerfeld, Hon Yan-lam and Capt. W. B. Paley.

fell he is not thoroughly informed on domestic issues.

President Chiang reached the decision to nominate Wong last night. Yu Tse-wei, Minister of Communications, was also prominently mentioned prior to the selection of Wong—United Press.

Wood Murder Case

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Later on, an identification parade was held in which the accused took part together with a number of other persons. Ross did not manage to pick out anyone, but he would say that he did conclude that there was one person who appeared to bear a close resemblance to one of his attackers. That man was the second accused, and Ross in fact made a report after leaving the parade.

There was evidence, continued Mr. Lonsdale, that the first and second accused were acquainted with each other and had lived together for some time, and on February 11 they were seen by someone in company with a third man. The time was about 12.30 p.m. and at that time they were seen walking over the rifle range along the path which leads up to Kowloon Pass. The path on which Ross and Wood were attacked was the one leading down the other side of the range after going over Kowloon Pass.

Further evidence would be supplied by the accused themselves. First and second accused were arrested on February 22 at the Sang I-wo Yuen Gardens where they had been living for some time. Following their arrest, they were kept entirely separated. On being told that the Police had reached a belief he was in the vicinity where two Europeans were attacked, first accused made a statement in the presence of a Chinese detective-sergeant and another detective.

Later, first accused claimed he had made no complaint to Inspector Matthes for fear of a further assault. First accused alleged he was struck on the chest; he was immediately sent to hospital for an examination but no marks were found on his body.

Allegations of assault were also made by second and third accused, the latter being arrested on March 6 after he had been questioned by the police. It would be for his Lordship to decide whether the statements made by the accused were given voluntarily or otherwise, said Mr. Lonsdale.

Any person aiding in a common purpose during which Wood was killed would be equally guilty of murder, Crown Counsel concluded, and it did not matter whether any of the accused actually committed it.

The trial is proceeding.

Jews Ready To Cease Fire

(Continued from Page 1)

Legion units at Rachel's Tomb two miles south of Jerusalem.

He said the Egyptian column was a volunteer group which was trained at the former United States army establishment camp at Huk-sai near Cairo. It includes North Africans from Morocco and Libya, he said.

Commenting on the United States recognition of Israel, Azam said: "We don't understand the American pendulum of politics. It changes over quickly, one day favouring and the next opposing partition and then suddenly recognising the Jewish state."

However, the Americans who know Arabs are opposing the United States policy bitterly."

He said the Mufti was out of the political picture for the present, but emphasised that Palestine Arabs will finally determine for themselves their future with the Jews as citizens of Palestine.

Arab regulars attacked Jerusalem, Azam said, to prevent the Zionists from massacring the Arabs. He declared that the Arabs had



Far East Deadlock

RUSSIA BLAMES U.S.

London, May 23.—The Tass News Agency in a statement today gave an "authorised" answer to the 11 points raised by the United States State Department on May 19, blaming the United States for the deadlock on issues in the Far East as well as elsewhere in the world.

Regarding the Japanese peace treaty, Tass said that Russia wants this peace treaty, while the United States is "assisting aggressive circles in Japan to restore Japan's military and economic potential, thus damaging the cause of peace."

Tass said that while the Soviets "long ago pulled out her troops from China" the United States still has garrisons there, "encouraging" the "extension and intensification of the civil war."

Tass repeated the Soviet proposal that all troops be withdrawn from Korea and declared that the United States would not agree.

OTHER POINTS
Other points included the reduction of armaments—Tass said the United States blocked the General Assembly decision.

Atomic weapons—Tass declared that the Soviet Union favoured the outlawing of atomic weapons, diverting atomic energy to peaceful uses, but the United States government for the past two years rejected the proposal of the Soviet Union for prohibition of atomic weapons and proposed "so-called international control."

German peace treaty—Tass charged that the United States wanted to restore Germany's military might.

Military bases—"The present situation, where certain countries, especially the United States, have numerous military bases in territories of other member-states of the United Nations, is incompatible with fundamental principles of the organization, and tends to aggravate the instability of the institution."

INTERNATIONAL TRADE
International trade—Tass charged the United States with discriminating against the USSR while Russia is developing trade on a mutual benefit basis.

Economic aid to war-devastated countries—Tass charged the United States with exploiting aid for political and other advantages.

Democracy and civil liberties—Tass charged that "the United States government circles are not concerned about the defence of democracy and civil liberties but about the maintenance and implantation of reactionary, anti-democratic Fascist regimes in other countries, such as Spain, Portugal and France."

The Soviet Union insisted that democracy and civil liberties should be defended in all nations.—United Press.

EMPIRE DAY IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, May 24.—A special film show and sports meeting for British children and the traditional At Home at the Shanghai Club will feature the celebration of Empire Day today by the local British community.

Admiral Sir Denis Boyd and Mayor C. C. Wu head the list of official guests invited to the Shanghai Club reception, at which the Royal Marine Band of the cruiser London will play.

Today's celebrations will conclude with an official cocktail party reception by Mr. M. C. Gillett, British Consul-General, at his home in the evening.—Reuter.

never refused to negotiate a truce for Jerusalem and they are still willing to negotiate on condition that both sides disarm and the International Red Cross supervise food convoys for Jerusalem.—United Press.

DANGEROUS DRIVING IN KOWLOON

Dangerous driving on the part of Leung Shiu-ki, of 70 Nathan Road, caused an accident along Castle Peak Road yesterday in which three persons were injured, including a teen-age boy.

As a result of the mishap Leung was charged before Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon Court today with dangerous driving, alternatively driving on the wrong side of the road and overtaking when the road was not clear.

Leung admitted the charges and was fined \$750 on the first count, being cautioned on the remaining charges. His driving licence was suspended for three months.

Prosecuting, Inspector Hadden said that the defendant, driving towards the New Territories, was following a bus. When near Tsun Wan and while negotiating a slight right-hand bend, he suddenly decided to overtake the public vehicle despite the fact that a lorry and another bus were coming from the opposite direction.

BRAKED HARD
In an effort to avoid an accident, all the other three vehicles braked hard. The oncoming bus, containing about 15 passengers, collided with the lorry, and two passengers sustained injuries. A small boy, who was on his way to school, his relatives because his father was dying in the New Territories, received a cut on his head.

The defendant, it was stated, had held a driver's licence for six months. Asking for a serious view to be taken, Inspector Hadden said that serious results could have been caused as two of the vehicles involved were buses, each carrying about 15 passengers.

OPIUM, GOLD ON AIR PASSENGERS

Several air passengers arriving at Kai Tak during the weekend were arrested by Revenue Officers for possession of opium and importing gold without permission.

Among them was a woman teacher, Patricia Soek, of 388 Portland Street, second floor, who was charged with the business, Lee Do, giving his address as 4 Essex Crescent, who admitted possession of two tins of opium, was fined \$200. His wife, Chiu Yuen-ching, 34, was fined \$50 for possession of three tins of the drug.

The 12 tins of gold for which they were charged with joint possession, were ordered to be confiscated. The couple were arrivals from Chungking.

Pleading guilty to importing one tin of gold, Leung Chi-tun, 61, married woman, of 3 Lau Li Street, third floor, was discharged by Mr. Blair-Kerr, who only ordered the confiscation of the gold. She arrived by CATC plane from Shanghai on Sunday.

Death Of Chinese Minister

Copenhagen, May 23.—Li Tehu-in, 57, Chinese Minister to Denmark, died tonight of a cerebral haemorrhage. A Chinese legation announcement said Li Tehu-in was assigned to Copenhagen after diplomatic service in Peru, where he was Minister Plenipotentiary, and France, where he was Consul General in Paris.

Li Tehu-in was born in Kwangtung. He leaves a widow and a daughter, who now are in Nanking.—Associated Press.

AMERICAN LOANS FOR SOUTH CHINA

Canton, May 24.—The disposal of American loans and the development of South China industries are reported to be the subject of negotiations now being carried on between the Canton Branch of the Central Bank of China and the Government at Nanking.

At the same time, it is reported that the Chinese Government has decided to establish an American Aid Disposal Commission in Canton.—Reuter.

SHOWING TO-DAY

QUEEN'S

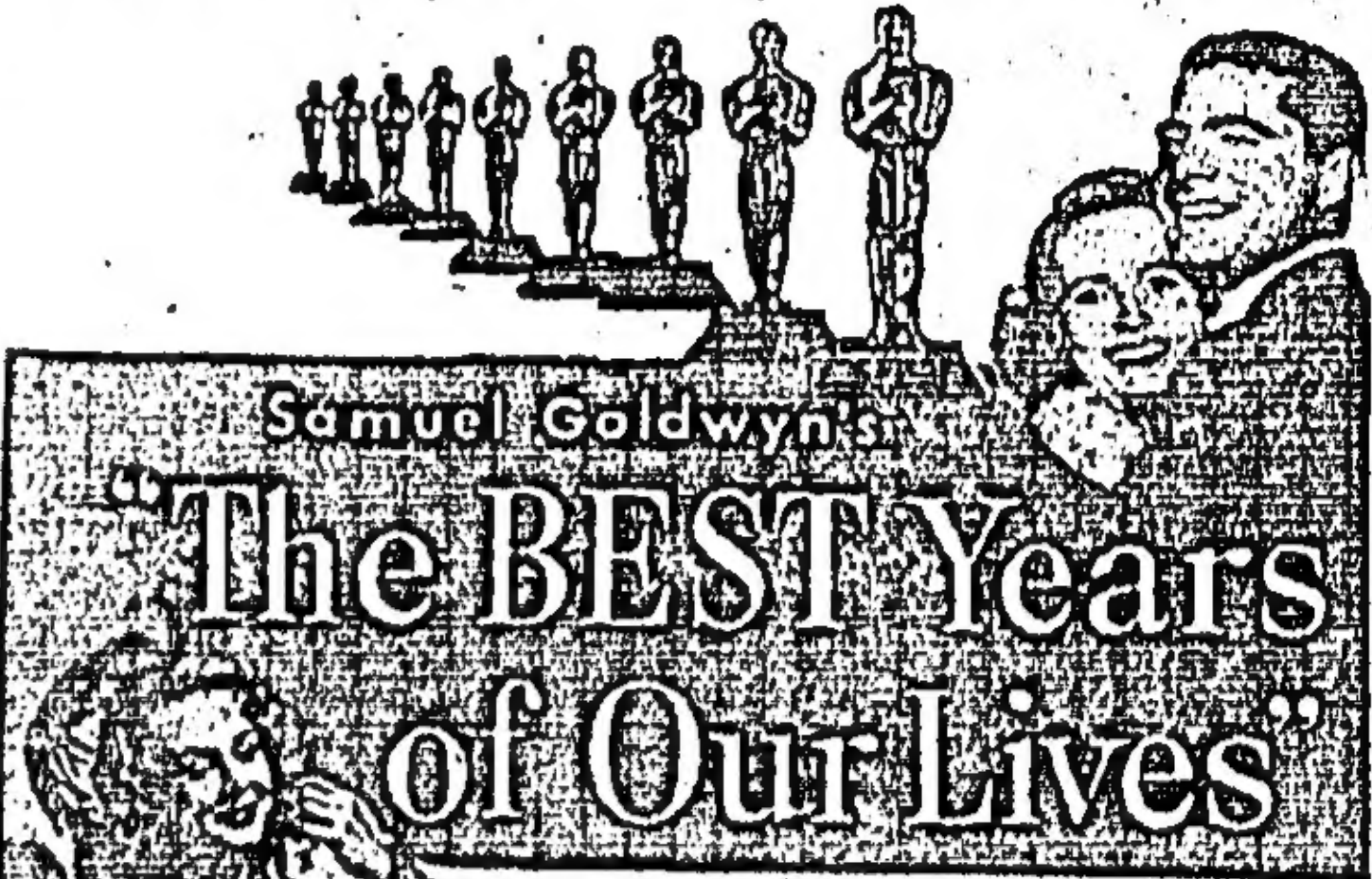
At 2.30, 5.15, 7.15 & 9.15 p.m.



NEXT CHANGE
THE MAN ABOUT THE HOUSE

ORIENTAL

SHOWING TO-DAY: 4 SHOWS DAILY
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ONE OF THE YEAR'S OUTSTANDING PICTURES!

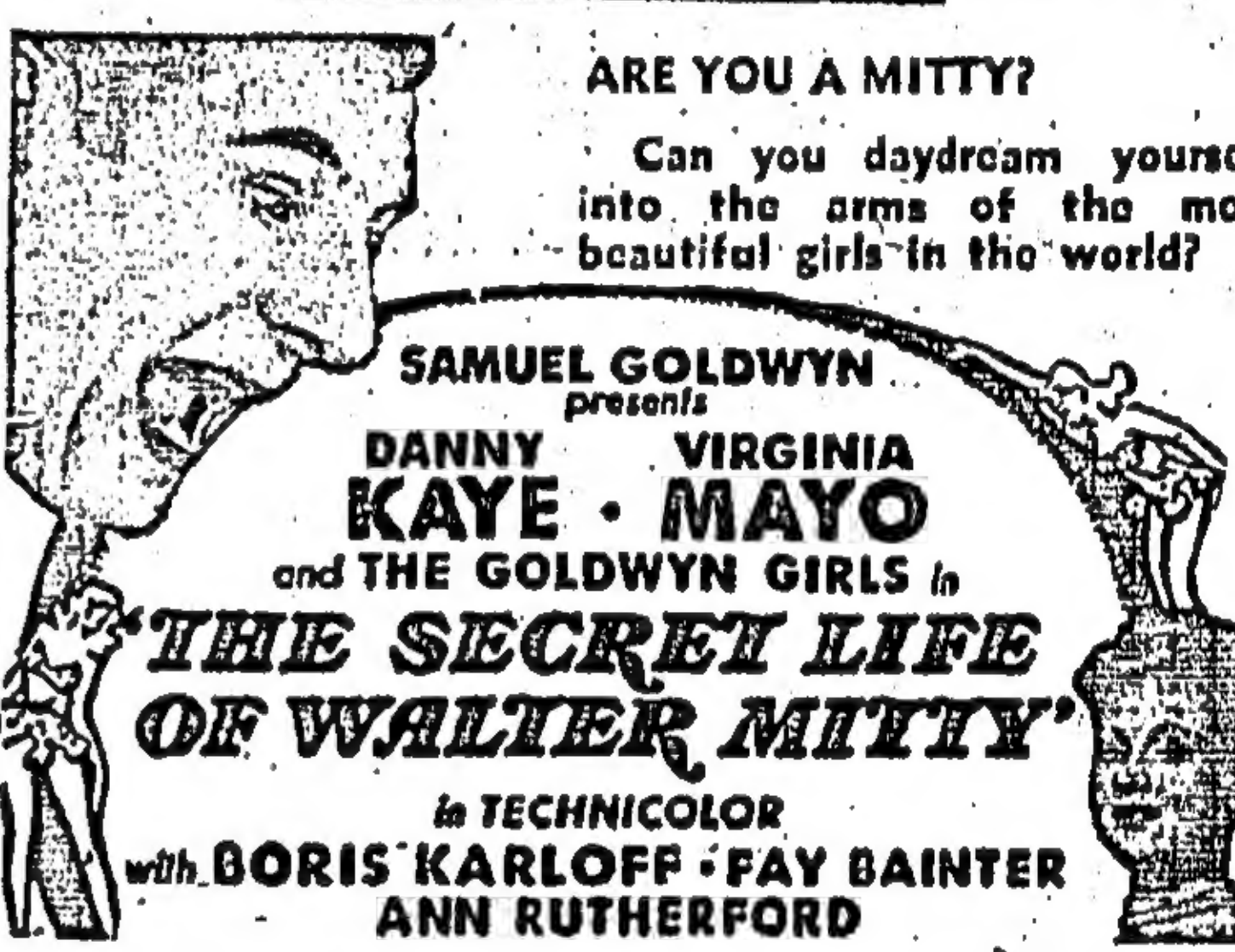


NEXT CHANGE: "HITLER'S GANG"

SHOWING TO-DAY

MAJESTIC

AT 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 & 9.20 p.m.



ALHAMBRA THEATRE

TO-DAY ONLY AT 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 & 9.20 P.M.



OPENING TO-MORROW
"QUIET WEEK-END"

FIRE DESTROYS 27 SHOPS

Manila, May 23.—Twenty-seven Chinese textile stores were destroyed by a fire which broke out late Saturday afternoon in the Quiapo section of downtown Manila.

While no casualties were reported, damage was placed by police at more than \$500,000.—Reuter.

Princess Elizabeth Reports Renewed

London, May 23.—Two Sunday newspapers predicted that Buckingham Palace would announce in a few days that Princess Elizabeth is expecting a baby.

The Sunday Express said an "interesting announcement" would probably have been issued last week but for the fact that it would have caused the cancellation of the Princess's visit to Coventry on Saturday.—United Press.

FOUR U.S. SUBS FOR TURKEY

Ankara, May 23.—Four submarines, the 1,520 tons Boardfish, Brill, Blueback and Chubb, were handed over to the Turkish Navy by the United States at a special ceremony today.

With mixed American and Turkish crews, the ships left New London, Connecticut, on April 20 and reached Smyrna on May 11.—Reuter.

OUTWARD MAILS

MONDAY, MAY 24
Closing Times by Air
Holloway, Swatow, Fochow, Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin, Peking, Luchow, Kuning and Amoy 2.30 p.m.
Closing Times by Sea & Train
U.S.A., Central and South America via San Francisco (Sea) 2.30 p.m. (par. & reg.); 3 p.m. (ord.).
Shanghai (Sea) 3 p.m.
Strait, Hongkong & Calcutta (Sea) 3 p.m.
Macao, Tientsin & Shekai (Sea) 4 p.m.
Canton (Parcels & 2nd class mail) (Sea) 5 p.m.

ENGLAND'S TEST PROSPECTS NOT SO BLEAK

London, May 23.—England's prospects in the cricket Tests with Australia this year are not so bleak as some pessimists will have us believe.

Much has been made of the batting onslaughts by Don Bradman's "supermen," as they have been called, but a calm analysis of the form of the English Test probabilities shows England's chances in a more favourable light.

Man for man, the English batting this season has been every bit as powerful as the Australians. The only difference is that the deeds of the tourists have been concentrated into one team, whereas the accomplishments of England's batsmen have been spread over the Counties.

The Incomparable Middlesex pair, W. J. Edrich and Denis Compton, have run into form with a third wicket partnership which was only 21 runs short of the world record; the probable opening pair, Len Hutton and Cyril Washbrook, have also reached their best again.

Eight Australians have between them scored 12 centuries; six Englishmen have scored 13 centuries. Washbrook and Robertson are claiming three, Compton, Huddell and Hutton two each and Edrich one.

AUSTRALIAN BATTING INFERIOR TO 1938

Statistics point out that the batting exploits of the present Australian team fall below those of the 1938 side. After six matches the latter had scored 3,428 runs in six matches for an average of 79, as compared with only 2,977 for an average of about 49 this time.

And yet that 1938 side suffered one of the heaviest Test defeats ever, losing by an innings and 579 runs on the Kennington Oval batsmen's wicket in the final Test.

On that occasion, the England batsmen scored 903 runs for seven wickets declared, and the bowling included O'Reilly, Fleetwood-Smith, Hutton made his Test record score of 364.

The main problem confronting the selectors in choosing the team for the Test trial beginning on June 2 is the bowling. The selectors will probably bear in mind Frank Smailes (Yorkshire) and Peter Jackson (Worcestershire).

Tom Goddard (Gloucestershire), now in his 48th year, is still England's outstanding spin bowler. Last season, he was the mainstay of Gloucestershire's challenge for the County championship, taking 238 wickets. This was second only to his best performance of 248 wickets, in 1938.

THE GREATEST RESPECT

In picking the bowlers, the selectors start with the knowledge that all the Australian batsmen have the greatest respect for Douglas Wright, the Kent bowler. He bowled extraordinarily well on the hard Australian wickets and is likely to cause a lot of trouble on the more suitable English pitches.

Jim Laker, Surrey's Yorkshire-born spin bowler, did well enough in the West Indies to warrant selection, and his team-mate, Alec Bedser, is likely to provide the fast-medium stuff.

In the event of wet wickets, England have in Goddard and Jack Young (Middlesex) to name but two bowlers capable of going through any side. And it is remembered that the Australians are not such expert wet-wicket batsmen. All things considered, some grand tussles are anticipated in the Tests.—Reuter.

CHESS

Botvinnik To Defend Title Next March

London, May 23.—Radio Moscow today broadcast the names of seven Soviet chess players invited by the International Chess Federation to participate in the preliminary world championship match at Stockholm on July 15.

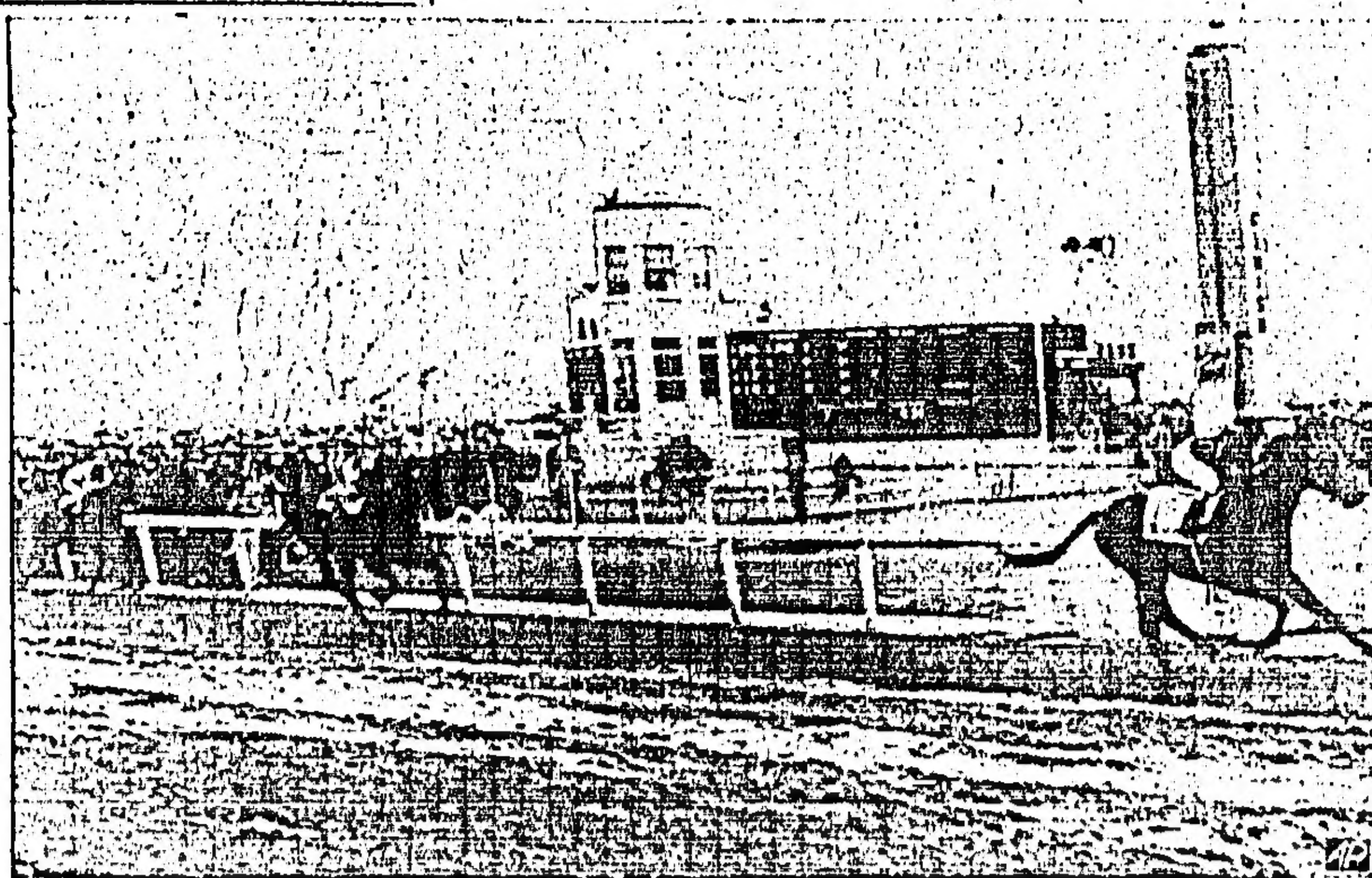
They are Isaac Boleslavsky, Igor Bondarevsky, David Bronstein, Salo Flohr, Alexander Kotov, Andre Lilienthal and Vsevolod Razozin. The leading players of Poland, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, France, Canada and other countries will take part in the tournament.

The winners will participate in the final competition for the right to contend for the world chess crown next March with the world champion, Mikhail Botvinnik, the broadcast said.—United Press.

Australian Batting Averages

	Innings	Not out	Runs	Highest Score	Average
D. G. Bradman	4	1	521	187	130.25
S. J. Loxton	3	1	203	120	101.50
K. R. Miller	5	2	289	209	90.33
S. Barnes	4	1	277	176	84.25
W. Brown	7	1	527	200	75.25
R. A. Suggers	3	1	110	104	55.00
A. Morris	6	1	313	130	52.10
A. L. Hassel	6	1	218	110	43.60
D. Tallon	4	1	81	50	27.00
R. A. Hamence	6	1	161	82	26.84
Jan Johnson	4	1	103	40	24.25
D. Rine	3	1	58	53	18.00
R. N. Harvey	6	1	83	23	10.00
C. McCool	4	1	58	50	14.50
R. Lindwall	3	1	30	32	12.00
W. A. Johnston	5	1	45	12	11.25
E. Toshack	3	1	14	8	4.00

CITATION WINS



Citation crosses the finish line three and a half lengths ahead of his stablemate, Countdown to win the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs. Trailing by another three lengths and in third position is My Request.—AP Wirephoto.

LAST NIGHT'S EXHIBITION MATCHES

MALAYA'S BADMINTON STARS SHOW HOW THE GAME SHOULD BE PLAYED

BY "RECORDER"

A gallery of more than 400 saw Malaya's Thomas Cup badminton team run rings around local badminton stars in the exhibition games at the Club de Recreio last night.

The reflection on local standard was not too bad seeing that the Malayan team are favourites for the Thomas Cup, badminton's recently introduced equivalent to the Davis Cup.

Malaya's two leading players did not come on court in top trim but they experienced not the least difficulty in keeping our local players on the run while they just stood and flicked the shuttle back for ace-winning drop shots or neat place shots.

OLIVEIRA ALONE

Only Recreio's M. A. Oliveira, comit into the second doubles game to deputise for University's Low Keat Soo, who had to retire with a torn muscle, rose to the occasion.

In an inspired ten minutes Oliveira, partnered by Malaya's No. 3 Ong Poh-lin, ran up a 5-1 lead on Ooi Tek-hock and Wong Peng-seon, led 7-5, and finally went down fighting at 12-15.

It seemed for a few minutes that one of badminton's biggest upsets of the year was about to materialise but Ooi and Wong demonstrated their mastery of the game beyond being upset by the most inspired play in the world.

The rest of the evening's play painted a dismal picture where Hongkong was concerned. Our players can but console themselves with the fact that, lacking the opportunities for practice that there are in Malaya, where clubs have more than one court, they did manage to score a few points.

LOW RETIRES HURT

University's Low Keat Soo proved himself of the company of champions in the first doubles exhibition when he went down 6-15 in partnership with Ong, the champion of Sarawak and now Singapore's No. 2 player. He played a hard fighting game and fell about a half-dozen times, finally tearing a muscle in his right thigh.

Ooi, Penang's and Malaya's No. 1, was given a hard game by Ong Poh-lin in the men's singles exhibition though he won 15-6, 15-11. Ong hasn't the all-round form of the Penang star but he appears a coming player and has all the fighting qualities of a champion. In

the second game he rallied from 7-13 to 14-11, only to miss the elusive winning ace.

Our local girls did quite well and won some complimentary comment from the Malayans who conceded that the ladies' standard here was exceptionally high.

However, Miss Ullan Khoo was no match for Malaya's Miss Chung Kong-nyong, losing 6-11, 6-11.

In the Ladies' Doubles match, Hongkong's Miss Winnie Cheung and Miss Mylthie Silva did rather well to lose at 7-11 to Miss Chung and Recreio's Miss M. Ribeiro.

Marcel Oliveira could not reproduce his earlier form in the Mixed Doubles match and, partnered by Miss Silva, lost 8-15, 5-15 to Ooi and Miss Cheung.

Highlight of the evening's exhibition were Ooi's perfect placing and rooted-to-the-spot tactics while the opposition reacted around for all it was worth. Wong's effortless backhand and Ong's peculiar low-over-the-net service.

Badminton Championship Finals Are Week's Biggest Sports Attraction

The coming week in local sport will be very much badminton week. With the Sing Tao players back from Shanghai, the semi-finals and finals of the first post war championships will be played off to-night and on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday nights.

The semi-finals will be played at the Club de Recreio. An admission fee will be charged of \$1.20. This evening will see Patrick Wong facing S. A. Vanar for the right of contesting the Senior Singles final. The other Senior Singles final has been postponed.

Patrick Wong is as good an all-rounder as Vanar but the latter's aggressive play will present him with a challenge that will be hard to overcome.

Wong has the courtcraft that can win a championship but his superiority over Vanar in this department of the game should be overbalanced by Vanar's fast game. The University player can set a pace hard on anyone's stamina.

JUNIOR SINGLES FINAL

S. Saul, of the KCC, will start favourite in the Junior Singles final against W. C. Chung of the Chinese Sanitary Inspectors' Club. Odds are about 2-1 on Saul, but as always with him much will depend upon temperament. Chung is a stayer with considerable court sense. He may take the whole of the first game to grope away at Saul's weak points but if he finds them he may start to score steadily.

Much will depend on pace. The first game is almost certain to be Saul's and he will have to gamble on saving his energy for the second or the third. A fast second set could beat Chung, a slow one may mean Saul's elimination from the final.

SENIOR DOUBLES FINAL

The Senior Doubles semi-finals will be played tomorrow night at Club de Recreio. Both should be close, with the odds slightly in favour of Patrick Wong and C. Au against T. S. Young and W. F. Foo in the one match, and in favour of Vanar and Low against Robert Tay and P. K. Hui in the other. Predictions on the final are even-betting.

I would bet on Saul and Gilles against K. S. Thong and T. H. Choo in the Junior Doubles semi-final to-night against K. S. Thong and T. H. Choo, but the odds in favour of the KCC players are very short. It would not surprise me to see Young and Foo, a fine doubles pair with considerable initiative, beat them. Whoever wins should have an easier game in the final against A. Payet and F. M. Ribeiro of Recreio.

TONIGHT'S MATCHES

As the University player, Low Keat Soo, is unable to play this evening as a result of his torn muscle sustained in yesterday's exhibition match, there will only be two games on tonight's badminton championships semi-final programme at the Club de Recreio.

Tonight's programme, therefore, is:

Men's Senior Singles Semi-final: S. A. Vanar (University) v. Patrick Wong (Sing Tao).

Men's Junior Doubles Semi-final: S. Saul and W. Gilles (KCC) v. K. S. Thong and T. H. Choo.

at Kowloon Cricket Club on Thursday.

MIXED DOUBLES

The odds are on Robert Tay and Miss W. Cheung against Patrick Wong and Miss M. Ribeiro in the Mixed Doubles semi-final at Club de Recreio tomorrow night, whoever wins, I cannot imagine them beating the Recreio pair of J. J. Remedios and Mrs. Olga Silva, now hot favourites for the title. In Friday's final at the Kowloon Cricket Club.

Admission for the finals on Thursday and Friday at the KCC will be \$2.40.

LIGHTWEIGHT-FIGHT

Brussels, May 23.—Kid Dugard, Belgium, won on points after 10 three-minute rounds against Ray Famechon, lightweight champion of France and of Europe, at the Heysel stadium, Brussels today.—Associated Press.

BOXING

Britain Selects Her Olympic Boxing Team

By GEORGE WHITING

Our new amateur boxing champions have had swift reward, the ABA have announced that the eight winners of the national titles at Wembley will be Great Britain's team in the Olympic Games in the same ring next August. They were:

Fly-weight, H. F. Carpenter (Bradfield BC Peckham); bantam, T. Proffitt (Manchester); feather, P. Brander (Slough Centre BC); light, R. Cooper (RN and West Ham BC); welter, M. B. Shacklady (Eccles); middle, J. A. Wright (RN and Polytechnic BC); cruiser, D. E. Scott (Army and Derby); heavy, J. Gardner (Army and Market Harborough).

And all are English; not one Scot and not one Welshman finds a place in the team.

Henry Carpenter, 22-year-old ivory worker, who loses wages when he takes time off for training, began as a Boys' Clubs champion, has won two London titles, lost in the ABA final last year, and took the national championship recently with victory over Joe Murphy and Peter Keenan, at Glasgow.

TRIPLE INTERNATIONAL

Henry, a pupil of "Fitz" Ryan, former ABA feather-weight champion, whose tuition took him into the international team against Ireland, Switzerland and Denmark.

Tommy Proffitt, 21-year-old Manchester millwright, is a former all-arounder, who first achieved prominence as Britannia Shield winner last year.

Feather-weight Peter Brander will be 21 this summer, has been ABA champion three times in four seasons.

Nineteen-year-old Ron Cooper is on demob, leaves from the Navy, began boxing as a Federation win-

ner for Broad-street BC Navy and Imperial Services champion for the last two years.

Welter-weight Max Shacklady, took up boxing when he was married nine years ago, former of two. Shacklady winner over Johnny Ryan in the ABA final.

Johnny Wright, middle-weight, is 19, and a former SC Cadets champion from Potters Bar.

Military policeman Donald Scott, still on the right side of 20, has reached the top after fewer than 50 senior contests.

Heavy-weight Jack Gardner was "unknown" at the beginning of the season. Ran up for a BAOR title last year; came home from Germany a few months ago to knock out heavy-weights left, right and centre.

RESERVES

Fly-weight: P. Keenan (Scotland); Bantam: T. Miller (Scotland); Feather: C. F. Tucker (RAF); Light: T. Glanville (Slough); Welter: J. Ryan (Army); Middle: R. Asquith (Gloucestershire); Cruiser: J. Allison (Birkenhead); Heavy: J. Morkus (Repton).

FOOTBALL

CHINA'S OLYMPIC TEAM REGAINS LOST PRESTIGE

Singapore, May 23.—The Chinese Olympic soccer team regained its lost prestige when it beat a strong Malayan combined side by four goals to one before a record 25,000 crowd at Singapore's Municipal Stadium on Saturday.

The Malays took the field slight favourites, but China soon settled down to play fine soccer after being a goal down in the seventh minute.

China got an equaliser five minutes later through a free kick taken by Lau Chung-sun.

Two minutes later, Chu Wing-deung headed through and in the second half Chu scored again after China's Boon Leong had run 40 yards with the ball, while Boon Leong himself got the final goal with a lovely drive from 30 yards.—Associated Press.

FRANCE BEATS SCOTLAND

Paris, May 22.—France beat Scotland by three goals to nil in an international soccer match at the Colombes Stadium here today. There was no score at half-time.

Scotland owed their defeat to their own lost opportunities as all the forwards, with the exception of Duncan on the left wing, missed easy chances of scoring.

As a result, France, showing superior speed, earned their success. Ben Barek proved himself a great strategist at inside-left, while Pierre Flamion on the wing was also a success in this game.

Barek made the passes for two of the goals scored by Emile Bongiorni and Jean Baratte, while Pierre Flamion notched the other after re-

ceiving a through pass from Andre Gluscard.—Reuter.

PORTUGAL WINS

Lisbon, May 23.—Portugal defeated Ireland by two goals to nil in an international soccer match here today.

Both goals were scored in the first half.—Reuter.

ENGLAND'S SOCCER TOUR. Schaffhausen, Switzerland, May 22.—England's soccer team wound up their short continental tour by beating the Canton of Schaffhausen, a Swiss second division side, by 6 goals to nothing this afternoon, after scoring once in the first half.

Monaghan scored three of the goals, others coming from Cockburn, Mannion and Pearson.

Arranged primarily as an exhibition match, the game did not fully live up to that description owing to the conditions. Apart from the weathering and the ground, a school playing area, was small, dry, bumpy and sloping.

But the Englishmen showed their superiority from start to finish without being extended. Indeed, Swift in goal, had only one real save to make, and that was when Neukomm, at right half, and the only player of note in the Swiss team, took a free kick.—Reuter.

TURKS BEAT RANGERS. Istanbul, May 23.—A team picked from four outstanding Turkish clubs defeated England's Queens' Park Rangers 2 to 1 in the final of a four team series today. The final results gave the Rangers two victories against one draw and one defeat.—Associated Press.

Neusel Beats Schmeling

Hamburg, May 23.—Walter Neusel, 40, former German heavyweight champion, won a ten-round decision today over the former world champion, Max Schmeling, 42.

Neusel weighed in at 203 lbs and Schmeling at 181 lbs. A crowd of 50,000 jammed the open air arena to witness a "revenge" bout in which Neusel reversed the decision Schmeling obtained over him 14 years ago.

Neusel attacked from the outset, but both lacked a good solid punch. The bout was almost exclusively confined to infighting with Neusel attacking short jabs to Schmeling's face and head. Although Max said before the fight that he "felt all his old speed was back despite his years," Neusel beat the former world champion to the punch every time with quicker footwork.—United Press.

Surprise Decision Against Cerdan

Brussels, May 23.—In a surprise decision, Cyrille Delannoy, Belgian middleweight champion, beat Marcel Cerdan, European middleweight champion on points after a 15 three minute round championship contest at Brussels tonight. When the referee pointed to Delannoy as the winner, Cerdan reacted to the floor in disappointment.—Associated Press.

BASEBALL

DiMaggio Leads Yankees In Win Over Cleveland

New York, May 23.—In the American League, three home runs by centre fielder Joe DiMaggio gave New York an opening victory of 6-5 over Cleveland, but the league leaders rallied to take the second game of the double-header at 6-1.

DiMaggio's homers accounted for all the runs in the first game and handed the Indians a Bob Feller a defeat. Nearly 70,000 fans saw the game.

Philadelphia's surprising Athletics steam-rolled Saint Louis twice, 7-5 and 8-1. The double victory moved the Athletics to within a half game of the pace-setting Indians.

Home runs by centre fielder Sam Chapman and catcher Buddy Rosar and doubles by third baseman Hank Majeski, second baseman Pete Suder and first baseman Ferris Fain brought the first victory.

Chicago swept two games by identical scores of 4-3 from Boston. Pitcher Joe Haynes scored the winning run on left-fielder Bob Kennedy's ninth inning single in the first game.

In the second, Joe Dobson's wild pitch in the 10th inning sent Don Dolloway across the plate with the winning run.

Virgil Trucks spoiled a brilliant pitching duel with Walt Masters by walking in the only run of the game after two were out in the ninth inning to give Washington a 1-0 victory over Detroit. Washington got only four hits off Masters while the Tigers had six off Master-son.

NATIONAL LEAGUE. In the National League, the league-leading Cardinals rained base hits to defeat Philadelphia twice, 10-5 and 4-1. Their 18 runs in the

opener was a season's record. The Cardinals, scored in every inning and shelled four Philadelphia pitchers.

Rookie first baseman Nippy Jones hit a homer and drove in six runs. Marty Marion hit a homer and two singles. Johnny Blatnik homered for Philadelphia in each game.

THE SCORES

	R	H	E
New York (1st game) ..	6	8	1
Cleveland ..	5	7	0
(Winning pitcher Alvin Royals) ..	1	8	1
New York (2nd game) ..	1	8	0
Cleveland ..	5	0	1
(Winning pitcher Don Black) ..	8	1	1
Philadelphia (1st game) ..	7	13	1
St. Louis ..	5	11	0
(Winning pitcher Dick Fowler) ..	8	1	1
Philadelphia (2nd game) ..	8	1	0
St. Louis ..	5	7	0
(Winning pitcher Lou Brjesle) ..	1	7	0
Boston (1st game) ..	3	8	2
Chicago ..	4	8	2
(Winning pitcher Joe Haynes) ..	4	8	1
Boston (2nd game) ..	4	8	1
Chicago ..	5	7	0
(Winning pitcher Harris) ..	1	4	0
Washington ..	0	6	0
(Winning pitcher Walt Master-son) ..	0	6	0

National League

	R	H	E
St. Louis (1st game) ..	18	17	1
Philadelphia ..	3	12	4
(Winning pitcher Ted Wilks) ..	8	1	1
St. Louis (2nd game) ..	4	14	0
Philadelphia ..	1	8	2
(Winning pitcher Jim Aherne) ..	1	8	2

FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"I kind of figured that if they didn't expect us to play hooky once in a while, why would they have a truant officer?"

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

First Obligation, Make the Contract

By WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

YOUR first obligation to your partner in rubber bridge is to make the contract. In tournament play you must always play for the maximum number of tricks.

Few players would open today's South hand with one no trump. However, Jeff Glick of Miami, said that those who use the point count system might bid one no trump. He did just on a hunch.

If he had bid a club and later a spade, West very likely would not have opened a spade. But Glick got the jack of spades opening, which

♠ 10873	♥ 987	♦ 10987	♣ 10987
♠ KQ103	♥ 1054	♦ 10987	♣ 10987
♠ 65	♥ 1054	♦ 10987	♣ 10987
♠ 82	♥ 1054	♦ 10987	♣ 10987
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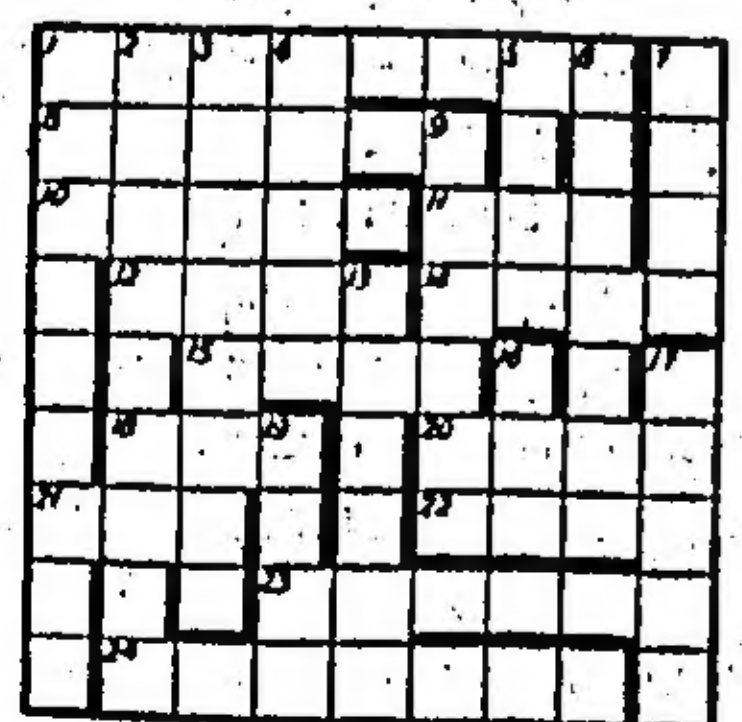
he won in dummy with the king. He counted three spades, a heart, five clubs, a diamond.

He cashed all five of the club tricks, then the queen of spades. In the meantime, at tricks four and five, East signaled in diamonds by discarding the three and then the deuce. At trick six East led a small heart, and Glick saw an opportunity to make an extra trick. At trick eight he led the ten of diamonds from dummy, and when East put on the jack, Glick let him hold the trick. West showed out, discarding the ten of hearts.

East led the queen of diamonds. Glick won this with the ace and West released the seven of spades. Now declarer cashed the ace of hearts and threw West in the lead with a heart, forcing him to lead from his ten-eight of spades into the ace-nine.

If West had kept the seven of spades and thrown away the queen of hearts, Glick would not have cashed the ace of hearts. He would have led a small heart, still forcing West to lead a spade.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across
1 and 6. It was in this that you first heard of Shanghai. (13, 4, 7)
8 and 9. Anything this is usually more desirable to the advertiser.

Check Your Knowledge

- What is a tallyho?
- How old was Mozart when he wrote his first opera?
- What is the difference between a fog and a cloud?
- Name the Greek equivalent of the Roman arena.
- To whom was Winston Churchill referring when he said "The few to whom so many owe so much?"
- Why did Napoleon divorce his first wife Josephine?

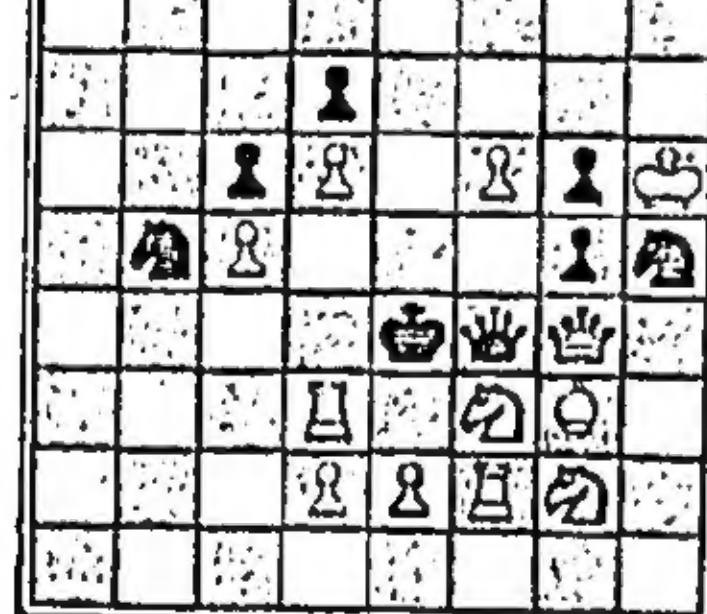
(Answers on Column 5)



CHESS PROBLEM

By P. H. BARRON

Black 8 pieces.



White, 12 pieces.

White to play and mate in two.

Solution to Saturday's problem:

1. Q-Kt7; any; 2. Q. R. B. or Kt mates.

YOUR BIRTHDAY

EXCLUSIVE 'TELEGRAPH' FEATURE

By STELLA

MONDAY, MAY 24

BORN today you have tremendous physical vitality and nervous energy. You like to be on the go all the time and have a personality that attracts people. You women are very likely to be popular, socially, and often become club leaders in your community.

The stars have given you artistic talents in music, art and literature, but you sometimes do not develop these gifts as much as you should. You men are probably also interested in science and would be equally successful as an instructor or in a commercial laboratory. There is some inventiveness in your nature, too, and you enjoy going to the roots of a thing and discovering new facts and bits of information.

You have firm beliefs and will stand by them no matter how keen the opposition. You are a good protagonist, too, and can argue and debate your side of a problem with wit and skill. If so trained, you might make a fine

trial lawyer. But you would always need to know that you were pleading for the right at all times. You would never defend a person whom, in your heart, you believed guilty.

Your judgment is excellent but you are inclined to be impulsive. Your emotions are near the top and you must learn to keep them well under control at all times. You must avoid worrying over trifles. When it comes to something important, you can remain clear-headed and calm, but some little insignificant irritation can set you off on a worrying spree. Learn not to do this.

Your marriage should be a very happy and contented one. You are fond of children and will probably want a large family of your own.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, MAY 25

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Avoid hasty accidents in handling machinery or mechanical inventions. Be careful of a stranger of the opposite sex, too.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Improved conditions of both the business and social fronts. Important friends may prove very helpful.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—A good, constructive day. Use it by developing new plans and getting them into active operation.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Be diplomatic with the fair sex today and be conciliatory rather than argue your own personal opinions.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—A good day for business and social contacts, as well. Combine them, if you wish, to get excellent results.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Business plans should go forward progressively today. Keep a cautious eye on the budget, however.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Don't let your affections overrule common sense when it comes to making an important decision.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Business is good but there may be a personal disappointment brought about by some close friend.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Don't permit a black mood to spoil the otherwise beneficial aspects of this day for you. Curb your emotions.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Morning hours are best for you and for any important business deals. In the afternoon, avoid arguments with members of the opposite sex.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—If you think before you act, then you can avoid any possible accident, especially if you are making a journey.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Contractors are favoured, especially those in the field of mechanics.

AROUND THE WORLD:

The Legend of Orleans

By TEMPLE MANNING

FOR centuries the story of the Maid of Orleans has gripped the imagination of the world, and has perpetuated an unending controversy as to how much is fact, how much legend. So it isn't any wonder that part of a real French holiday is in making the pilgrimage to Orleans.

It is a charming motor run out of Paris, a little over 70 miles through country rich with historic interest. It used to be popular to leave Paris after breakfast and then lunch at one of the excellent restaurants of Orleans. There was always a single of anticipation as one drove down the boulevard Raspail past the square named for Denfert-Rochereau, and then down the avenue d'Orleans to the Porte, and beyond there along National Route 20, an itinerary that we are sure will be remembered by many followers of this department.

Make a Detour

Frequently we used to make a detour from Bourg-la-Reu to Robinson Crusoe, where one eats chestnut tarts. A delightful little place but perhaps scarcely a fitting introduction to Orleans! There one drives on through wonderful grain country, the Beauce Plateau, and, entering by the Paris road, comes into Orleans.

There are good hotels on the Place Gambetta and nice for lunch, but most tourists make for some of the excellent restaurants, on the Rue Bannier or the Place du Matroi, where there used to be a wonderful place named for Joan of Arc.

Really wonderful too, is the Jeanne d'Arc Monument on which are 10 beautifully executed bas-reliefs which portray the salient experiences of Joan's life, from the voices she heard at Domremy to her burning at the stake at Rouen.

One strolled down the rue du Tabour to number 13, the charm-



The Jeanne d'Arc Monument at Orleans

ing early sixteenth century house that is the Joan of Arc Museum.

A few doors down is the house in which she lodged while at Orleans. It is now a convent but the good sisters have always been kind and understanding to visitors desirous of entering the building. Back of the convent is the church in which is the chapel where Joan gave thanks for the victory at Orleans, a place where one feels very close to The Maid.

The Rue Jeanne d'Arc leads to the famed Orleans Cathedral. In front of the exquisite Town Hall is a statue of Joan executed by the Princess Marie of Orleans, daughter of Louis-Philippe, last king of France.

There is history in plenty here for it was in the Town Hall that part of the tremendous drama between Catherine de Medici and her young daughter-in-law, Mary Stuart, was played—the hapless Mary Stuart, for a time Queen of France, and Queen of Scotland, but doomed to grief and disaster. As for Orleans, itself, it is a charming French provincial town, rich in wonderful old buildings, some with exquisite court yards, some housing historical or art collections, its great past kept alive by the constant procession of visitors from the far corners of the earth.

POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER



"Well, last year, it was 'The Wages of Sin,' but this time I've painted out the baby and called it 'Red typist expelled from the Stationery Office.'"

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

YOU can take your car abroad with you if you can find anyone to lend you a horse to tow it to the port of embarkation.

A cart horse will do for the cheaper types of car, but for the expensive ones racehorses will be more suitable. Failing that, you can always hire a charabanc, on the plea that you have to go to a greyhound race, and put the car in it. Or you can simply push the car yourself.

The celebration

WHEN the gallery was closed for the night and Luna Moon had gone home, the Captain and the hack-artist who had painted all the pictures bought by Sir George continued their celebration. "Jolly old Tintoretto!" said Foulengough. "Who?" demanded the hack truculently. "That's it," said Foulengough, stumbling against a chair. "Wharriermean, who?" shouted the hack. "He what?" queried Foulengough. "Who?" said the hack. "Yes, that's it," said Foulengough. "Jolly, jolly old Tintoretto. Who cares about him?" "That's about it," said the hack, subsiding into a chair. "We don't care about all that, do we?" cried Foulengough. "Rather!" agreed the hack. Then, in a burst of energy, the hack dashed off a wild landscape, signed it "Tintoretto," and hung it on the wall of the darkened gallery. "Give—give a daub a bad name and hang it," said Foulengough. "Who was?" said the hack. And then the two men went home to sleep.

A picture withdrawn

NEXT day visitors to the Plimpton Gallery were puzzled to see a violent landscape bearing the signature "Tintoretto" in the right-hand corner. "It can't surely be a real Tintoretto," said more than one perspicacious connoisseur. Those who remembered the recent Dutch forgeries said, "It may be a very clever imitation." But Foulengough settled the matter, as he didn't want a lot of fuss in the papers. "What looks like a 'T' he said, 'is an 'O', it's by Tintoretto, a young Siamese painter." That is, of course, Siamese painter. It's not for sale. It was lent by the Farness Gallery in Paris, and I have to return it today." After that Tintoretto disappeared from the wall (and was sold to an old clothes and junk dealer for nine and sixpence).

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

- A four-in-hand coach, pulled by four horses, driven with one hand. It is also a cry used by hunters to urge on the hounds.
- Twelve years old. 3. The only difference is in altitude. 4. Hippodrome. 5. The Royal Air Force. 6. For "reasons of state," because she failed to bear him a child.

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

JAP ECONOMIC POLICY:

U.S. Army And State Departments At Odds

Washington, May 22.—Informed sources today predicted that the growing disagreement between the Army and the State Departments over some aspects of the economic policy for Japan might well end up in the White House for a settlement.

These sources said that unless Under-Secretary of State Lovett and Army Under-Secretary Draper succeeded in resolving "considerable" differences between their departments on some phases of this question,

Secretary of State Marshall probably would have to go directly to President Truman for a policy decision.

Most of the State Department officials are said to believe that the Army is now aiming at "impossibly high levels" for Japanese economy in some respects.

Emphasizing that the Army and State Departments are "in general agreement on the necessity for considerable American assistance to restore Japanese economy," State Department officials nevertheless are understood to believe that Draper and Army Secretary Royall have gone too far in some ways.

In addition, the State Department is known to have been provoked by the fact that Royall and Draper recently made a number of policy statements on Japan without consulting the State Department, which considers this unwarranted military incursions into the foreign policy field.—United Press.

HONGKONG SHARES

Market interest in Cements was maintained during this morning's session of the Hongkong Stock Exchange, business being done at advanced prices. There was also a fair business in Electrics.

The morning's turnover totalled \$913,000. Transactions and noon prices follow:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS			
HSBC	2100	10 at 2100	
Union	775	50 at 775	
Underwriters	074		
HSBC		300	
DOCKS, ETC.			
Stock	32	33	800 at 32 1/2
Provident	24 1/2	24 1/2	500 at 24 1/2
LAND, ETC.			
HSBC	18.20	18 1/2	600 at 18.25
HSBC			
Phal Land	31 1/2		
Hummer	24 1/2		
UTILITIES			
Tram	24	24 1/2	
Star Ferry	125		
C. Light (O)	24 1/2	25	100 at 25 1/2
Star	20 1/2	20 1/2	800 at 20 1/2
Electric	40 1/2	40 1/2	200 at 40 1/2
Telephone (O)	42		
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	40 1/2	41 1/2	1000 at 41 1/2
			2500 at 41 1/2
			1400 at 41 1/2
			20 1000 at 19
STOCKS, ETC.			
Water (O)	55 1/2	55	500 at 55 1/2
Water (New)	55 1/2	54	400 at 55 1/2
COTTONS			
Ewa	21 1/2		

COTTON FROM INDIA

Bombay, May 18.—A government communiqué today announced that the Indian Government, as a special case, has decided to allow the export of 55,000 bales of raw cotton to Japan of prohibited varieties.

The communiqué also announced the procedure whereby the raw cotton will be permitted for export.—United Press.

POINTS OF DIFFERENCE

Bombay, May 18.—Private cotton trading between India and Japan, which was authorised last Saturday, now awaits settlement of two minor points of difference in a contract proposed by the SCAP Mission, according to the mission leader, W. R. Eaton.

First is the clause stipulating that Japanese buyers pay 95 percent of the invoice value at the time of shipment, with the balance to be settled after arrival of the cotton in Japan. The East India Cotton Association insists that the Japanese make 97 percent of the payment.

Second is the clause proposing that letters of credit be valid for 180 days after the last shipping date. The Association wants the period reduced to 120 days.

Eaton said the Mission is awaiting instructions from Japan on both points. He said Japan is interested in buying cotton not available for export under the present Indian regulations. Meanwhile, the Mission was receiving samples from shippers of exportable types.

Among these types the Mission is interested in procuring Bengalis and Mathias.—United Press.

N.Y. FOREIGN EXCHANGE

New York, May 22.—Today's foreign exchange closing rates were:

Argentine Peso (Official) ... US\$0.2977
Argentine Peso (Unofficial) ... 2907
Austria ... 2924
Brazil ... 0505
Belgium ... 0524 1/2
Canada ... 2924
Chile ... 0524
England ... 4.03 1/2
France ... 8053
India ... 3025
Mexico ... 3028
New Zealand ... 3.23 1/2
Peru ... 0700
Portugal ... 4403 1/2
South Africa ... 4.01
Sweden ... 2980
Switzerland ... 2510
Uruguay ... 3300
Venezuela ... 2010
Shanghai (CNC\$100.000) ... 3015
Netherlands ... 2712
Batavia ... 2785
Singapore ... 4785
Hongkong ... 2408
—United Press.

NEW YORK SILVER
New York, May 22.—Silver, per fine ounce, as quoted by Messrs. Lundy and Harman 74 1/2 cents.—United Press.

LONDON SILVER
London, May 22.—Silver, Spot, per ounce ... 45d
Silver, Forward, per ounce ... 45d
—United Press.

APL'S PREWAR SERVICE

New York, May 22.—The United States Maritime Commission today confirmed reports that the American President Lines proposal to resume their prewar unsubsidised service between New York and the Straits Settlements area has been approved with limits.

The approval was granted on a temporary basis to June 30, 1949, and restricted to 15 sailings. A number of other qualifications were also made, among which the APL must deposit excess profits from the service in a special reserve fund. Another, specifies that any losses from the proposed service should not be borne at the expense of the APL's subsidised operations.—United Press.

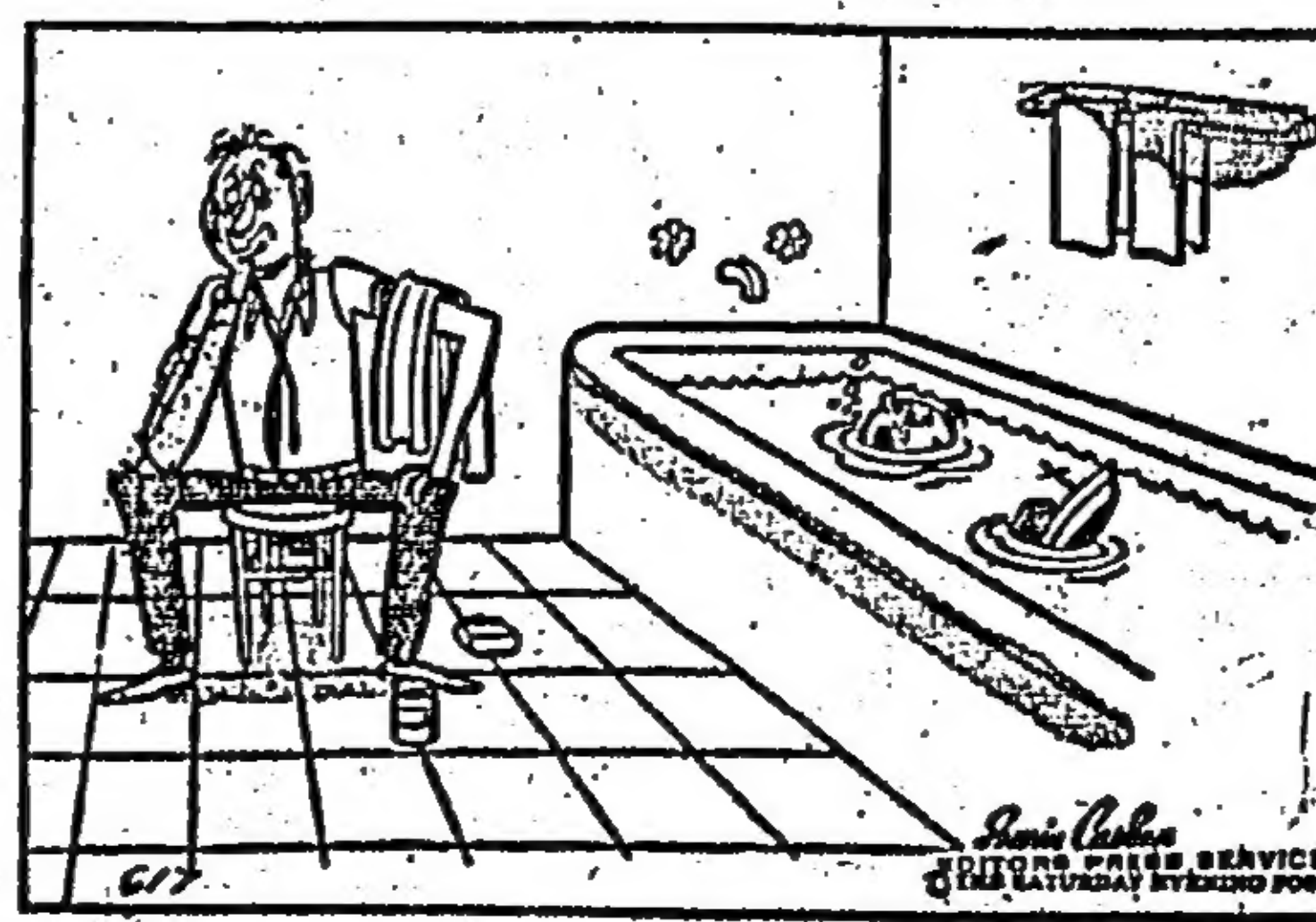
Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

Chinese dollars (per CN\$1 m.) ... 4.70
Sterling notes (per £1) ... 14.30
U.S. dollars (per US\$1) ... 12.20
Gold bars (per tael) ... 32.00
Platinum (per 100) ... 10.90
NBI guineas (per 100) ... 4.50
Siam ticals (per 100) ... 20.00

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6. Programme Summary: 6.01, New Swing Records; 6.15, The Radio Heavellers; 6.30, Hospital Request Half Hour Presented by Nan Dickinson (Studio); 7. Suite Canadienne...The Canadian Broadcasting Orchestra; 7.10, "The Great Family"—A Programme for Empire Day (DBCT); 7.25, Interlude; 7.30, Portuguese Half Hour (Studio); 8. World and Home News (London, Relay); 8.15, Health Week—"The Miracle of Life" (Studio); 8.30, "I Like What I Like" Presented by David Hardy (Studio); 9. "Music of the People" Great Britain & The Dominions (DBCT); 9.15, "Empire Day" A Talk by Field Marshal Jan Smuts (London, Relay); 9.30, "End of Term" A Mystery Play by William Barrow (DBCT); 9.45, World and Home News (London, Relay); 10.15, Weather Report; 10.18, "Take Your Choice"; 11. Radio News Reel (London, Relay); 11.15, Weather Report and Close down.



"Save yourself, Sparks, I'm going down with my ship."

Apathetic Interest In S. African General Elections

GOVT. EXPECTED TO GO BACK WITH REDUCED MAJORITY

Cape Town, May 23.—Supporters of Field Marshal Jan Smuts' United Party worked feverishly today to whip up interest in the parliamentary elections which will be held on Wednesday.

Campaigning for election in which 138 members of the new parliament will be chosen, has been tranquil. The people evidenced little enthusiasm and the only excitement came when nationalists broke up several meetings of the United Party.

OPTIMISTIC TURKISH MINISTER

Ankara, May 24.—M. Necmeddin Sadak, Turkish Foreign Minister, declared that the peoples of the world were on the alert and even the most optimistic could not say a more stable era was in sight.

Of recent collaboration moves in Western Europe, he told a Republican People's Party meeting at Sivas:

Even the little states which once sought security in a policy of neutrality today find it useful to join in this movement.

There were two main factors in this development, he said:

"Britain has consented to be no longer an island and has joined the continent. The United States is convinced that the defence of the Atlantic begins in the Eastern Mediterranean."

"American help to increase Turkey's means of defence and thus preserve peace is continuing, and we hope it may still continue. Our people greet it thankfully."

POLICY OF PEACE

"Turkey's policy is peace," he declared. But Turkey would consent to fighting if it was a question of her freedom and independence.

The recent United States approach to Russia, he said, has "proved once again that peace is not possible."

The United States Government had assured Turkey this step should in no way be taken as a change of America's policy in the Eastern Mediterranean and Middle East.

Turkey was devoting half her meagre resources to defence, "the surest guarantee of freedom and independence."

On Palestine, Mr. Sadak said: "We hope with all our heart that without further bloodshed and without settling up a permanent element of disorder and insecurity, a lasting solution may be found by which Arabs also may be masters of their rights."—Reuter.

More Soviet Guards In Factories

Vienna, May 23.—Official Austrian sources reported today that factory guards in the Russian Zone had been recently increased to 12,000 and linked to a development to a Communist plan to hold unilateral elections this autumn in the Soviet Zone.

These sources said that the Communist leader, Ernst Fischer, recently told a meeting of factory guards officers at the Zistersdorf oil fields that "We will hold elections this fall in the Soviet Zone, and we will win. Your men will ensure that such elections can be held even if they are opposed by the Government in Vienna."

A number of black uniformed and well armed guards, CMA, paid and maintained by the Soviet Army was increased by over 2,000 to a total of 12,000 during the past few weeks, the sources said.

They said the guards are equipped with carbines and pistols of German make and Czech manufactured bayonets.—United Press.

Cracked Heads Mark Opening Of Berlin's "Unity" Referendum Campaign

Berlin, May 23.—Police baton charges marked the opening today of the German "unity" referendum by the Communist-dominated People's Congress in Berlin.

Police attacked an incited crowd in the American sector of the city according to the Soviet-licensed German news agency.

At Schoenberg's railway station in the same sector, United States

Some observers believed that the apparent apathy on the part of the voting public may be the Government's greatest danger in the electoral test. Those who would not actively support Dr. D. F. Malan's Nationalists now lack the urge to ballot for Smuts. This attitude could largely be attributed to the fact that the present government has been in power for an extremely long time and there are many post war shortages in the Union.

With the international situation cooling somewhat, Smuts is expected to lose many votes by people who would not have wanted a change of governments in the midst of the post world crisis. The much angling Marshal's support is expected to come from women who will vote for him personally rather than for his Party.

SECRET SOCIETY

The United Party has recently been trying to stir up the electorate by throwing a light on the Brotherhood Secret Society of sectional "band of brothers" which aims at an African domination of South Africa. The society is guided by a supreme council known as the "twelve apostles."

Through a manoeuvring for many years the "brothers" secured key posts in most sections of the communal life and more than 60 of the Nationalist Party's candidates in the coming election are believed to be Brothers.

United Party speakers are dragging the Brotherhood from its carefully guarded obscurity as a warning to the English-speaking section who votes the Nationalist sought by shelling their republican aims by professing sympathy for ex-soldiers and endeavouring to distract attention from the Party's record in world war two.

Since only European vote, the Nationalists acted on a theory that the United Party's pulling power with the white electorate was colour bar. The Nationalists raised the cry of "Apartheid"—separation of races. However they do not appear to have met with any great success in winning over voters who remain many of their suggestions as completely impracticable.

In a message to the electorate on Saturday, Field Marshal Smuts called Apartheid a crazy concept. He said the Nationalists had failed to make Apartheid intelligible.

SMUTS' POLICY

Field Marshal Smuts declared instead that the future of South Africa does not depend on the whites alone and said that he stands for the continued treatment of a non-European, particularly a native. He said, however, that the leadership of the country, must remain with the white race without mixing the blood of whites and non-whites.

Native do not participate in this election. They are represented in the Assembly by three Europeans elected in a separate poll.

It is generally expected that Marshal Smuts will win the Parliament Election although his majority probably will be smaller than before.

Observers forecast that the United Party would get a majority of eight to 15. In addition the Labour Party's expected five or six members would stand by Smuts in a vote of confidence and he could count on the support of the three representatives of the natives.—United Press.

BBC PUT OFF THE AIR

London, May 23.—Britain's biggest power failure for many years today put the British Broadcasting Corporation's transmitters out of action, and stopped London's Underground trains and trams and trolley buses over a wide area.

The breakdown, which the authorities controlling the country's nationalised electricity said was due to a shortage of plant and heavy demands arising from cold weather, affected points as far distant as Brighton on the South Coast, and King's Lynn—nearly 200 miles apart.

In some places power was not restored for four hours. Electric cranes at Folkestone harbour failed, and gangs of men had to bring baggage and mails ashore from the Channel steamer from France.—Reuter.

HYDERABAD CUT OFF

Madras, May 23.—Hyderabad is cut off from all rail connection with the Indian Dominion, a railway official told the Associated Press, following Saturday's attack on the Bombay-bound Madras train at the Nizam's Changanur railway station.

Reports said many were seriously injured and six women are missing.

No booking from Madras to Hyderabad are being taken the official added.

The Madras Cabinet held an emergency meeting to consider the situation it was stated officially.—Associated Press.

GASPERI ANNOUNCES NEW CABINET

First Since The Elections

Rome, May 23.—Signor Alcide de Gasperi, Italian Premier, tonight announced his Cabinet as follows:

Premier and Interim Minister for Italian Africa: Signor de Gasperi, (Christian Democrat).

Vice-Premier: Attilio Piccioni (Christian Democrat).

Vice-Premier and Minister for Mercantile Marine: Giuseppe Sargat (Socialist Unity).

Vice-Premier in charge of Southern Italian Affairs: Giovanni Prorio (Independent).

CONTROLLING THE RUHR

Six-Power Conference To Draft Reports

London, May 23.—The heads of the delegations to the six-power conference on Germany will begin drafting final reports to their Governments on the control of the Ruhr and the political future of Western Germany at a meeting expected to be held here tomorrow.

The principal French delegate on political questions is expected to return to London from Paris either tomorrow night or Tuesday morning.

It is thought, however, that the final draft will not be ready until the middle of the week. Last week's American concessions to the French over the powers of the proposed international authority for the Ruhr are believed to have provided a sufficient basis of agreement for a joint resolution on the economic side of the German problem.

But observers here believe it would be premature to describe this resolution as finally removing French misgivings.—Reuter.

Still Vinegary

New York, May 23.—The late General Joseph "Vinegar Joe" Stilwell, wartime commander of United States forces in the China-Burma-India Theatre, regarded the British Supreme Commander, Lord Louis Mountbatten, as a university under-graduate, according to letters he wrote to Mrs Stilwell.

The letters, along with various jottings, negotiations and command-journal entries made by the famous American commander, are now being published here in book form.—Reuter.

Indian Textiles For Australia

Canberra, May 23.—India has allotted 20 million yards of cotton textiles for export to Australia for the current quota period from January to June as a reciprocal measure for wheat from Australia. The Commonwealth Commerce and Agriculture Departments Journal announced.

The Indian Government has also approved the export of 1,800 bales of raw cotton to Australia as a goodwill gesture.—Reuter.

GRUESOME FIND ON GOLF COURSE

Potters Bar, England, May 23.—Discovery of a human hand and arm in a golf course pond started an investigation by Scotland Yard today.

The find was made by boys hunting for golf balls.—Associated Press.

Demand For Scottish Parliament

London, May 23.—The annual conference of the Scottish National Party today approved a resolution demanding "a free and independent Scottish Parliament as a worthy national memorial for Scotsmen and women who fell in the cause of freedom."

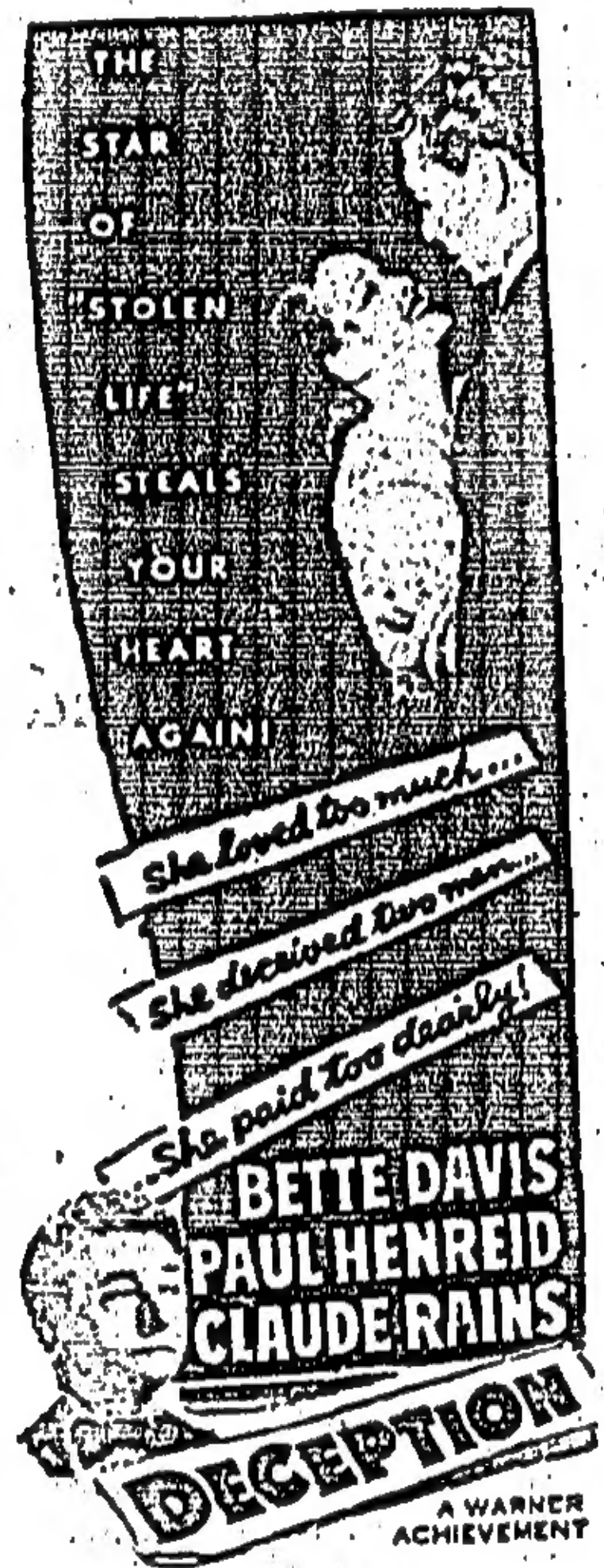
Mr R. Michie of Dundee said: "In the late war, propagandists told us we were fighting for freedom, but for whose freedom were we fighting? Scotsmen as a nation, have lost every vestige of freedom they have ever had. Today you are seeing your natural resources being pillaged by an alien power and I don't care whether the alien power be Russian, American or English. An alien power is an alien power."

"We are asking for a free and independent Scottish Parliament and when we get that we will know those who gave their lives for freedom this occasion also gave their lives for Scotland."

Dr R. D. McIntyre of Stirling, chairman, referring to emigration from Scotland said: "The complete lack of faith in the administration of our affairs is nowhere seen than in the tremendous exodus of our people. Eighteen persons leave Scotland for every one who leaves England."—United Press.



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